

## THE “CHRISTIAN” IN THE “CRUCIFIED” LIFE

### Text:

***Galatians 2:20: I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the Faith of the Son of God, Who loved me, and gave Himself for me.***

### Introduction:

This man of God is shouting out a message of triumph. There is a ring in his voice of victory in a glorious triumph. Something has been accomplished in his life, which has been a long time awaited. These first five words, especially, in them he is heralding good news. He has yearned and longed for a deeper and closer union with the Lord Jesus Christ, than here-to-fore gained, and is now a glorious reality.

**QUESTION:** How has this glorious victory been accomplished?

**ANSWER:** The answer lies in just one word “CRUCIFIED” for that is the KEY to VICTORY. It has in it, a melodious and musical sound of success after a lengthy battle with the old man, the flesh, and carnality.

1. What is a defeat to the old man is now a triumph for the new man. These may be new terms to you who have not followed us in the previous two lessons, but to help you catch up with us, you will discover “**THE NEW MAN**” and the old man described in:

***Romans 6:6: Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.***

***Ephesians 4:22-24: That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;  
23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;***

<sup>24</sup> **And that ye *put on the new man*, which after God is created in Righteousness and true Holiness.**



**Colossians 3:5-10: Mortify therefore your members**

**which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:**

<sup>6</sup> **For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:**

<sup>7</sup> **In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.**

<sup>8</sup> **But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.**

<sup>9</sup> **Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;**

<sup>10</sup> **And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of Him that created him:**

2. There was a tug of war going on within the heart, and in the spirit of the apostle Paul, as there is in every new born again Christian with ornery (i.e. cantankerous or ill-mannered, disruptive, contentious, quarrelsome, grouchy, sorry and no-count) "self-life". The very problem source, which our Lord calls on us to deny in:

**Luke 9:23: And He said to them all, "If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me."**

The Holy Ghost tells us to crucify in:

**Romans 6:6: Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.**

Now, finally, the crucifixion is accomplished, and the old man is now suffering a mortal defeat.

3. The new man within him and in us now enters into a new freedom in Christ and into the glorious liberty of the children of God. We do not have to wait until

death, for this victory over “The Law of Sin” and death, or the body of sin to be conquered.

4. We can be more than conquerors through The Lord Jesus Christ Who loved us.

***Romans 8:37: Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.***

**2 Corinthians 2:11: Lest satan should get an advantage of us: for we are *not ignorant of his devices.***

***2 Corinthians 2:14: Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of His Knowledge by us in every place.***

It is “**VICTORY IN JESUS**” my Savior forever according to:

***1 Corinthians 15:57: But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.***

Paul discovered that this victory is in Jesus.

***Romans 7:25: I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the Law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.***

**The law of sin and body of sin:** These two terms relate to the “**CIVIL WAR**”, a long anguishing struggle with sinning religion which was going on in his bosom here-to-fore. But now, the war has been won, and JESUS is LORD and is reigning triumphantly on the throne of his heart.

This can be our experience also, wherein; CHRIST can reign supreme on the thrones of our hearts, when we, too, are CRUCIFIED WITH CHRIST.

5. **QUESTION:** Did you pay particular attention to the present tense language in this verse. It is found in a two letter word “AM” and coupled with: “I AM” not I was, or I will be.

**ANSWER:** This crucifixion is current in his life, and should be in the life of every believer. This verse throws a new light on the subject -

## THE CRUCIFIED LIFE.

There is a teaching in some circles of the Christian denominations that: When Christ was crucified, we also were crucified with HIM. We were identified with HIM in His death, then in His burial, and then in His resurrection in a symbolic way. They conclude, since this occurred some 2,000 years ago, to enter in this “CRUCIFIED LIFE” experience today, is unnecessary and out of place.

To back up their claims, they refer the following scripture as the basis for their belief.

***Romans 6:3-5: Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death?***

***<sup>4</sup> Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the Glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.***

***<sup>5</sup> For if we have been planted together in the likeness of His death, we shall be also in the likeness of His Resurrection:***

### Our Response:

**A.** The Scriptures selected are: “**THUS SAITH THE LORD**”.

The difficulty which they have not come to grips with is: the CONTEXT behind their text. Context has reference to the first two verses which say:

***Romans 6:1: What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?***

***Romans 6:2: God forbid. How shall we, which are dead to sin, live any longer therein?***

These two verses contradict their teaching that we sin every day in thought, in word, and in deed, that we cannot stop sinning until we die. That is the event that will break all our bondages to the sin-nature. They also say: If anyone claims that we can live without sinning, they are either deceived, or haven't got good sense; or are lying.

The other side of the context is in Romans 6:6 which we shared with you in our Second Series Bible Study on the Crucified Life. Therefore, we will not go into details with discussing verse 6. Only, to say this: That verse declares:

***Romans 6:6: Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with Him, that “THE BODY OF SIN” might be destroyed, that henceforth (or from now on) we should not [i.e. NOT, NOT ,NOT] serve sin.***

They say we do serve sin until we die.

However, in Romans 6:14, to be under true grace, (which they claim to be saved by) the verse plainly declares:

***Romans 6:14: For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the Law but under Grace.***

This verse contradicts the sinning religion doctrine, a doctrine which condones, excuses, and justifies sinning.

- B.** One of their ministers confronted me in this subject by asking: “Do you understand that you teach that we can live free from sin?”

I answered simply and plainly: “Yes, that is what the Bible teaches, and I am saying what the Lord says in His Word.”

He asked me to prove it. So we commenced with;

***Romans 6:15-22: What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the Law, but under Grace? God forbid.***

***<sup>16</sup> Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?***

***<sup>17</sup> But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.***

***<sup>18</sup> Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.***

***<sup>19</sup> I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to***

***uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.***

***<sup>20</sup> For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness.***

***<sup>21</sup> What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death.***

***<sup>22</sup> But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end Everlasting Life.***

From which we will point specifically to Romans verses 18 and 22 right now.

***Romans 6:18: Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.***

***Romans 6:22: But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end Everlasting Life.***

I asked him to read me the two verses. He did volunteer to read Romans 6:18, and then commented this way. “As long as you have been in the ministry, you ought to have sense enough to know, that that has reference to – when we die.”

**QUESTION:** I asked him: “Are you sure?” He said a hearty, “YES!!!” Then I asked him: “Are you very sure?” He said once again, “YES, POSITIVELY!”

**QUESTION:** Then, we asked him to please to read Romans 6:22. He took my Bible and read it to himself. I asked him to read it out loud. But he refused. I asked him the second time, and he shook his head. So, we quoted the verse back to him, emphasizing the key word “NOW”. ***Now being made free from sin . . .***

I asked him: ‘Does “Now” mean now?’ He said: “Lets drop the subject.”

We responded, saying: “Why? We have just begun on this glorious Full Gospel message of deliverance from sin, and freedom from sin.” He got up and walked out as we were turning to:

**John 8:31-36:**

**<sup>31</sup> Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on Him, “If ye continue in My Word, then are ye My disciples indeed;**

**<sup>32</sup> And ye shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall make you free.”**

**<sup>33</sup> They answered him, “We be Abraham’s seed, and were never in bondage to any man: how sayest thou, ‘Ye shall be made free?’”**

**<sup>34</sup> Jesus answered them, “Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin.**

**<sup>35</sup> And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth ever.**

**<sup>36</sup> If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.”**

We will let you study that on your own for now. We will take that message from our Savior up later on.

- C.** May we make one more comment on the passage which they use in Romans 6:3-5, and say this? If we are to screen candidates for water baptism, to fit into the context, then we would have to diligently check the conduct of each one first to see if they are free from sin, are dead to sin, before we bury them by baptism into death. That, like as Christ was raised from the dead by the Glory of the Father, even so **we also should WALK in NEWNESS of LIFE.**

We Ministers know that baptism is a burial service, as Romans 6:4 says. Since it is illegal for anyone to be buried unless they are dead, physically; (and I’m sure you are also glad of that) it is also illegal to let any corpse remain above ground which has died. So, we Ministers would have to be sure that each candidate for water baptism is dead to sin, and then they are legally ready for water baptism.

**QUESTION:** I just wonder, how many candidates we would have for water baptism? I just wonder, how many we tried to bury in the Water Baptism who were not really dead to sin, as the context sets forth. We could be guilty of burying folks before they are dead (i.e. dead to sin).

- D.** Just one last comment since we are on this subject. I just wonder if those who are shying away from **The Crucified Life message** are not trying to spare the flesh, and keep from crucifying that old man. We covered this

thought in our previous message if you will remember when we dealt with Saul and Agag.

Let's get back on the MAIN-LINE which is our text.

**Text: "I AM CRUCIFIED WITH CHRIST"**

1. We gave to you the *REASON for this NEED of CRUCIFIXION.*
2. Then, **WHO or WHAT is CRUCIFIED - - namely THE OLD MAN.**
3. Then, we gave you the **"WHY?"** - That the body of sin might be destroyed; that henceforth **"WE SHOULD NOT SERVE SIN"**.
4. Now, we turn to the very next word: **NEVER-THE-LESS.**

**QUESTION:** Why, in the world is that word there?

**ANSWER:** It is the most needful word to be there. It is as important there as the word **"THEREFORE"** is in:

***Romans 5:1: Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:***

***Romans 13:10: Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the Law.***

***Romans 13:12: The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.***

***1 Corinthians 5:7-8: Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:***

***<sup>8</sup> Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.***

***1 Corinthians 6:20: For ye are bought with a price: therefore Glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.***



**2 Corinthians 5:17: Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.**

**NEVER-THE-LESS** tells us this; **I am CRUCIFIED, therefore I am now dead.**

Even though I am dead, that is **DEAD TO SIN, I am never-the-less still alive, that is - physically and spiritually.** A crucified man is a dead man. Yet, this is symbolic language which describes death to the old man, to carnality and to the flesh, but very much alive unto God.

My heart knows that the old man has been put off:

***Ephesians 4:22: That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;***

And is crucified . . .

***Romans 6:6: Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.***

Because sin no longer has dominion, I am free from sin.

***Romans 6:18: Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.***

***Romans 6:22: But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end Everlasting Life.***

With . . .

***Galatians 5:1: Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.***

***Galatians 5:13: For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.***

***Galatians 2:4: And that because of false brethren unawares brought in, who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage:***

**1 Peter 2:16: As free, and not using your liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God.**



**James 1:25: But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.**

**James 2:12: So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be judged by the law of liberty.**

**2 Corinthians 3:17: Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.**

**John 8:31-36: Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on Him, “If ye continue in My Word, then are ye My disciples indeed;**

<sup>32</sup> **And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”**

<sup>33</sup> **They answered Him, “We be Abraham’s seed, and were never in bondage to any man: how sayest Thou, ‘Ye shall be made free?’”**

<sup>34</sup> **Jesus answered them, “Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin.**

<sup>35</sup> **And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth ever.**

<sup>36</sup> **If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.”**

Now being free because Jesus set him free, he said:

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**Never-the-less I live; yet not I** - i.e. not the old self-me, the I-love me, the selfish me, the carnal me; the old man me. Paul is saying, ‘It is I who had died’:

**Romans 6:7: For he that is dead is freed from sin.**

**Galatians 2:20 continues . . . but Christ liveth in me,**

## Hallelujah! The glorious reality!

**QUESTION:** I thought that Christ came into your heart when you got saved and were born again?

**ANSWER:** HE did come in then, but now He is Lord of my life, and is now reigning in me on the throne of my heart.

***Romans 5:20-21: Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:  
21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto Eternal Life by Jesus Christ our Lord.***

Moreover, the Law entered that the offence might abound; but where sin abounded, grace did much more abound - that as sin hath (past tense) reigned unto death, even so might grace reign. How? Grace reigns through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

***Romans 6:17: But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.***

**QUESTION:** What is the end result of this obedience? Also, what was the doctrine delivered unto them that caused them to be made free from sin, as set forth in Romans 6:18-22?

**ANSWER:** It is the doctrine which we are now sharing with you on **THE CRUCIFIED LIFE.**

***1 Peter 4:1-4: Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin;***

***2 That he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the Will of God.***

***3 For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries:***

***4 Wherein they think it strange that ye run not with them to the same excess of riot, speaking evil of you:***

Even the world will notice the difference when we live the transformed life, the new creature in Christ, the Crucified Life. For the next verse tells of their taking knowledge of the great change in us, and will persecute us and mock us, and make fun of us as recorded in Romans 6:4-7.

### Scriptures on: **CHRIST LIVING IN US**

1. **John 15:5: I am the vine, ye are the branches: he that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without Me ye can do nothing.**
2. **John 15:7: If ye abide in Me, and My Words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.**
3. **Romans 8:10: And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.**
4. **2 Corinthians 13:5: Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?**
5. Listen!! This is a heavy scripture:  
**1 John 3:23-24: And this is His Commandment, That we should believe on the Name of His Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as He gave us Commandment.**  
<sup>24</sup>  
**And he that keepeth His Commandments dwelleth in Him, and He in him. And hereby we know that He abideth in us, by the Spirit which He hath given us.**
6. **1 John 4:4: Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is He that is in you, than he [satan] that is in the world.**



**QUESTION:** What do you think the Lord Jesus is doing while here in our hearts? Is He in there idle, sleeping, or ruling and reigning?

**ANSWER:** This 1 John 4:4 declares: **greater is He that is in you, than he that is in the world.** When we turn to Luke 10:19, it brings us a message of victory over the devil.

**Luke 10:19: Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.**

**Hallelujah!!!** Sermon topic: **The POWER of the INDWELLING CHRIST**

- 7. 1 Peter 1:11: Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow.**

The text

**Galatians 2:20: I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the Faith of the Son of God, Who loved me, and gave Himself for me.**

**QUESTION:** What? **The “Faith” of the Son of God?** I never heard of such a thing! What kind of “faith” is this? You have just heard this question, which we have just given forth. It is one which we have many times been asked by those who have heard us give a message on the **FIVE SOURCES OF FAITH.**

**ANSWER:** Faith is a very essential part of the Christian’s life.

### **1. We are SAVED by FAITH . . .**

**Ephesians 2:8-9: For by Grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:**

**<sup>9</sup> Not of works, lest any man should boast.**

**Acts 10:43: To Him give all the prophets witness, that through His Name whosoever believeth in Him shall receive remission of sins.**

**Acts 15:9: And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith.**

**Acts 16:3: Him would Paul have to go forth with him; and took and circumcised him because of the Jews which were in those quarters: for they knew all that his father was a Greek.**

**Romans 3:25: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His Blood, to declare His Righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;**

## **2. We are JUSTIFIED by FAITH . . .**

**Romans 5:1: Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:**

And the JUSTIFIED live by faith.

**Habakkuk 2:4: Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith.**

**Romans 1:17: For therein is the Righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, "The just shall live by faith."**

**Galatians 3:11: But that no man is justified by the Law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.**

**Hebrews 10:38: Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.**

## **3. We are INDWELT by THE LORD JESUS CHRIST by FAITH . . .**

**Ephesians 3:17: That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,**

## **4. We are SANCTIFIED by FAITH . . .**

**Acts 26:18: To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in Me.**

**5. We are FILLED with THE HOLY GHOST BY FAITH . . .**

***Galatians 3:14: That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.***

**6. We are HEALED by FAITH . . .**

***Matthew 8:13: And Jesus said unto the centurion, "Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee." And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.***

***Matthew 9:22: But Jesus turned Him about, and when He saw her, He said, "Daughter, be good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole." And the woman was made whole from that hour.***

***Luke 17:19: And He said unto him, "Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole."***

**7. We are KEPT by the POWER of GOD through FAITH . . .**

***1 Peter 1:5: Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.***

**8. We are able to STAND by FAITH . . .**

***Romans 11:20: Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith. Be not high-minded, but fear:***

***2 Corinthians 1:24: Not for that we have dominion over your faith, but are helpers of your joy: for by faith ye stand.***

**9. We OVERCOME the WORLD by FAITH . . .**

***1 John 5:4: For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.***

**10. We have PRAYERS ANSWERED by FAITH . . .**

***Matthew 21:22: And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.***

***James 1:6-7: But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.***

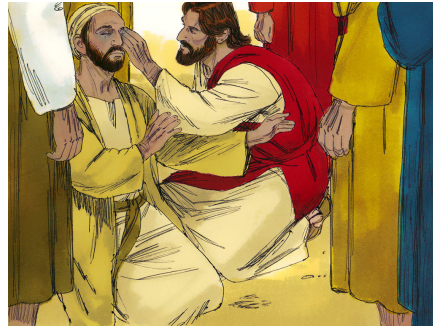


<sup>7</sup> *For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.*

*Mark 11:24: Therefore I say unto you, What things so ever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.*

*Matthew 9:28-29: And when He was come into the house, the blind men came to Him: and Jesus saith unto them, "Believe ye that I am able to do this?" They said unto Him, "Yea, Lord."*

*<sup>29</sup> Then touched He their eyes, saying, "According to your faith be it unto you."*



#### 11. We **QUENCH** the **FIERY DARTS** of **satan** by **FAITH** . . .

*Ephesians 6:16: Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.*

#### 12. We **INHERIT** the **PROMISES** of **GOD** by **FAITH** . . .

*Hebrews 6:12: That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.*

There are also **DEGREES** of **FAITH**.

#### 1. **NO FAITH**

*Deuteronomy 32:20: And he said, "I will hide My Face from them, I will see what their end shall be: for they are a very froward generation [one that is difficult to deal with], children in whom is no faith."*

*Mark 4:39-40: And He arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, "Peace, be still." And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.*

*<sup>40</sup> And He said unto them, "Why are ye so fearful? how is it that*





*ye have no faith?”*

## 2. LITTLE FAITH

**Matthew 6:30:** *Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall He not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?*

**Matthew 8:26-27:** *Jesus stills the storm*

<sup>26</sup> *And He saith unto them, “Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith?” Then He arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.*

<sup>27</sup> *But the men marvelled, saying, “What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey Him!”*

**Matthew 14:30-31:** *Jesus and Peter on the water*

<sup>30</sup> *But when he [Peter] saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, “Lord, save me.”*



<sup>31</sup>

*And immediately Jesus stretched forth His Hand, and caught him, and said unto him, “O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?”*

**Matthew 16:6-12:**

<sup>6</sup> *Then Jesus said unto them, “Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.”*

<sup>7</sup> *And they reasoned among themselves, saying, “It is because we have taken no bread.”*

<sup>8</sup> *Which when Jesus perceived, He said unto them, “O ye of little faith, why reason ye among yourselves, because ye have brought no bread?”*

<sup>9</sup> *Do ye not yet understand, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets ye took up?*

<sup>10</sup> *Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets ye took up?*

***11 How is it that ye do not understand that I spake it not to you concerning bread, that ye should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees?”***

***12 Then understood they how that He bade them not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.***

### **3. GREAT FAITH**

***Matthew 8:8-13: The centurion answered and said, “Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the Word only, and my servant shall be healed.***

***9 For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, ‘Go’, and he goeth; and to another, ‘Come’, and he cometh; and to my servant, ‘Do this’, and he doeth it.”***

***10 When Jesus heard it, He marvelled, and said to them that followed, “Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.***

***11 And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the Kingdom of Heaven.***

***12 But the children of the kingdom [Israel] shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”***

***13 And Jesus said unto the centurion, “Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee.” And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.***



#### **Healing of the Daughter of the Canaanite**

***Matthew 15:28: Then Jesus answered and said unto her, “O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt.” And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.***

### **The young daughter with an unclean spirit**

**Mark 7:24-30: And from thence He arose, and went into the borders of Tyre and Sidon, and entered into an house, and would have no man know it: but He could not be hid.**

**<sup>25</sup> For a certain woman, whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of Him, and came and fell at His Feet:**

**<sup>26</sup> The woman was a Greek, a Syrophenician by nation; and she besought Him that He would cast forth the devil out of her daughter.**

**<sup>27</sup> But Jesus said unto her, "Let the children first be filled: for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast it unto the dogs."**

**<sup>28</sup> And she answered and said unto Him, "Yes, Lord: yet the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs."**

**<sup>29</sup> And He said unto her, "For this saying go thy way; the devil is gone out of thy daughter."**

**<sup>30</sup> And when she was come to her house, she found the devil gone out, and her daughter laid upon the bed.**

## **4. FULL OF FAITH**

**Acts 6:8: And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.**

**Acts 11:24: For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord.**

## **5. WEAK IN FAITH**

**Romans 4:19-21:**

**<sup>19</sup>**

**And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb:**

**<sup>20</sup>**

**He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving Glory to God;**

**<sup>21</sup>**

**And being fully persuaded that, what He [God] had promised, He was able also to perform.**

**Romans 14:1: Him that is weak in the faith receive ye, but not to doubtful disputations.**

## **6. PROPORTION OF FAITH**

**Romans 12:6: Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith;**

**Matthew 9:29: Then touched He their eyes, saying, "According to your faith be it unto you."**

## **DIVINE SOURCES of FAITH**

### **1. The ALMIGHTY GOD is a source of Faith . . .**

**Romans 12:3: For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.**

**Ephesians 2:8-9: For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:  
<sup>9</sup> Not of works, lest any man should boast.**

**Romans 3:3: For what if some did not believe? shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect?**

### **2. The LORD JESUS is a source of Faith . . .**

**Acts 3:12-16: And when Peter saw it, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?**

**<sup>13</sup> The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified His Son Jesus; Whom ye delivered up, and**

**denied Him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let Him go.**

**<sup>14</sup> But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;**

**<sup>15</sup> And killed the Prince of Life, Whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.**

**<sup>16</sup> And His Name through faith in His Name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by Him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.**

**Romans 3:22: Even the Righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:**

**Galatians 2:20: I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the Faith of the Son of God, Who loved me, and gave Himself for me.**

**Ephesians 3:12: In Whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of Him.**

### **3. The HOLY GHOST is a source of Faith . . .**

**Galatians 5:22-23: But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,**

**<sup>23</sup> Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.**

**2 Corinthians 12:9-10: And He said unto me, "My Grace is sufficient for thee: for My Strength is made perfect in weakness." Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the Power of Christ may rest upon me.**

**<sup>10</sup> Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.**

***2 Corinthians 4:13: We having the same Spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak;***

#### **4. The WORD of GOD is a source of Faith . . .**

***Romans 10:17: So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.***

***Romans 10:8: But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the Word of faith, which we preach;***

***Luke 8:12: Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the Word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.***

#### **5. The CRUCIFIED LIFE with CHRIST is the next source of Faith . . .**

***Galatians 2:20: I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the Faith of the Son of God, Who loved me, and gave Himself for me.***

### **FACTS about FAITH**

- 1. Faith is not the dethronement of reason. Faith is the Enthronement of CHRIST on the Throne of the Heart, by the Crucified Life.**

***Galatians 2:20: I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the Faith of the Son of God, Who loved me, and gave Himself for me.***

## 2. FAITH is SUPERIOR to Reason.

***Hebrews 11:3: Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the Word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.***

### THEME: Jesus' Faith, what kind of Faith is this?

1. The apostle Paul was testifying to the fact that he was living life on a much higher scale than he ever experienced before. He was now living by the Faith of Jesus, The Son of God's Faith.

**QUESTION:** What kind of Faith is that? This question we have had Christians ask us. They say, 'I never heard of such a thing as that before.'

**ANSWER:** For the best answer, we will, of necessity, have to go to the source, the True and Living Word of God.

For the first Scripture reference, we will turn to Acts 3:16 where a marvelous MIRACLE has just been performed on the paralyzed body of a hopeless cripple. The man, on whom this MIRACLE has taken place, was over forty years old. The congregation is looking on Peter and John in amazement, wondering how they could do this for the man. Peter answers their puzzled looks with this explanation:

- a. ***Acts 3:14-16: But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;  
15 And killed the Prince of Life, Whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.  
16 And His Name through faith in His Name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by Him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.***

(This is the **Jesus Faith in action**, "The Faith that is by Him," or "The Faith that is from Him".)

- b. Romans 3:22: Even the Righteousness of God which is by Faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:**
- c. Galatians 2:16: Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the Law, but by the Faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the Faith of Christ, and not by the works of the Law: for by the works of the Law shall no flesh be justified.**  
  
(Note: twice in the same verse)
- d. Ephesians 3:12: In Whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the Faith of Him.**
- e. Philippians 3:9: And be found in Him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the Law, but that which is through the Faith of Christ, the Righteousness which is of God by Faith:**
- f. James 2:1: My brethren, have not the Faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of Glory, with respect of persons.**
- g. Revelation 14:12: Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the Commandments of God, and the Faith of Jesus.**

**2. QUESTION:** ‘Brother Paul, how and when did you get this **JESUS FAITH?**’

**ANSWER:** ‘When I, Paul, became crucified with Christ. That is when I received it.’ It is only when we enter into the Crucified Life, that The Lord can trust us with this Divine Faith of the Son of God.

Take Note:

- a.** The Apostle Paul mentions **THIS FAITH OF JESUS** six times in the Epistles to the Romans, Galatians, Ephesians, and Philippians.
- b.** The Apostle Peter magnifies **THIS FAITH OF JESUS** in Acts.
- c.** The Apostle James exalts and commends **THIS FAITH OF JESUS**.



- d. Then, finally, in the last book of the Bible, the Apostle John gives due recognition, yes, even past due exaltation to **THE FAITH OF JESUS**.

**QUESTION:** Will you join in with this Crucified Life group, who rejoice in experiencing **THIS FAITH OF JESUS** operating in your life also?

3. Oh yes, there is another vitally important factor which we cannot pass over. Here, within this verse is the GREATEST EXPERIENCE which we will ever have in this lifetime. It is “**CHRIST LIVETH IN ME!!!** Well, hallelujah!! That is what Bible Salvation is. Christ in you the Hope of Glory as recorded in”

***Colossians 1:27: To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the Hope of Glory:***

The Apostle Paul puts it this way in:

***2 Corinthians 13:5: Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?***

Since the Lord Jesus has taken up residence in our hearts, we have **the be-stower of this Jesus Faith**, living within us. Only when we have abdicated the throne of our hearts by having the OLD SELF CRUCIFIED, then The Lord Jesus Christ rules and reigns supreme; and exercises His Faith in and through us effectively.

### **CONCLUSION:**

To leave out the last part of the verse, would be a misnomer. For in it, The Holy Spirit puts the finishing touches on this marvelous panorama on the Crucified Life.

***Text: Galatians 2:20: I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the Faith of the Son of God, Who loved me, and gave Himself for me.***

1. ***John 13:1: Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour was come that He should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved His Own which were in the world, He loved them unto the end.***

2. **John 13:34:** *A new Commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.*
3. **John 15:10:** *If ye keep My Commandments, ye shall abide in My Love; even as I have kept My Father's Commandments, and abide in His Love.*



4. **John 15:12:** *This is My Commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.*
5. **Romans 8:35-37:** *Who shall separate us from the Love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?*  
<sup>36</sup> *As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.*  
<sup>37</sup> *Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.*
6. **Galatians 2:20:** *I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the Faith of the Son of God, Who loved me, and gave Himself for me.*
7. **Ephesians 5:2:** *And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour.*
8. **Ephesians 5:25:** *Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself for it;*
9. **Ephesians 3:19:** *And to know the Love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.*
10. **1 Timothy 1:14:** *And the Grace of our Lord was exceeding abundant with Faith and Love which is in Christ Jesus.*

11. ***2 Timothy 1:13: Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in Faith and Love which is in Christ Jesus.***
12. ***Revelation 1:5: And from Jesus Christ, Who is the Faithful Witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto Him Who loved us, and washed us from our sins in His Own Blood,***
13. ***Revelation 3:9: Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.***
14. ***Revelation 3:19: As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.***

BELOVED, these verses are not a monotonous repetition of phrases! Each Scripture is a progressive revelation to our hearts, revealing more completely and fully the many stages and phases of CHRIST'S LOVE. We must remember that the Bible is written like unto a crossword puzzle. When we place all the pieces (verses) together, then we will have the FULL ORBED PICTURE of the REVELATION of God's Word in any subject.

### **The Greatest Wonder: That CHRIST should LOVE ME, and GIVE HIMSELF FOR ME!!**

#### **1. The Rich Young Ruler**

***Mark 10:21: Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in Heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow Me.***

#### **2. John 11:5: Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus.**

#### **3. John 11:3: Therefore his sisters sent unto Him, saying, Lord, behold, he whom Thou lovest is sick.**

#### **4. John 11:35-36:**

<sup>35</sup> **Jesus wept.**

<sup>36</sup> **Then said the Jews, Behold how He loved him!**

**5. John 13:23: Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of His disciples, whom Jesus loved.**

**6. As Jesus hung on the Cross**

**John 19:26-27: When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple standing by, whom He loved, He saith unto His mother, "Woman, behold thy son!"**

<sup>27</sup>

**Then saith He to the disciple, "Behold thy mother!" And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home.**

**7. John 20:2: Then she [Mary Magdalene] runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, "They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid Him."**

**8. John 21:7: Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved [John] saith unto Peter, "It is the Lord." Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he girt his fisher's coat unto him, (for he was naked,) and did cast himself into the sea.**

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