-Romans 10:4-13

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-"Nobody's perfect! Everybody sins!"

-Jude 1:3-4, 11 (LSB) 3 Beloved, while I was making every effort to write you about our common salvation, I felt the necessity to write to you exhorting that you contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all handed down to the saints. 4 For certain persons have crept in unnoticed, those who were long beforehand marked out for this condemnation, ungodly persons who turn the grace of our God into sensuality and deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ...11 Woe to them! For they have gone the way of Cain, and for pay they have poured themselves into the error of Balaam, and perished in the rebellion of Korah.

-Leviticus 18:4-5 (LSB) 4 'You are to do My judgments and keep My statutes, to walk in them; I am Yahweh your God. 5 'So you shall keep My statutes and My judgments, which if a man does them, he shall live by them; I am Yahweh.

-Leviticus 19:1-2 (LSB) 1 Then Yahweh spoke to Moses, saying: 2 "Speak to all the congregation of the sons of Israel and say to them, 'You shall be holy, for I, Yahweh your God, am holy.

-The righteousness God requires is not ATTAINED through the law but REVEALED through the law.

-Galatians 2:14-16 (LSB) 14 But when I saw that they were not straightforward about the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas before everyone, "If you, being a Jew, live like the Gentiles and not like the Jews, how is it that you compel the Gentiles to live like Jews? 15 "We are Jews by nature and not sinners from among the Gentiles; 16 nevertheless knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the Law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, so that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the Law; since by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified.

-Galatians 3:10-12 (LSB) 10 For as many as are of the works of the Law are under a curse, for it is written, "CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO DOES NOT ABIDE BY ALL THINGS WRITTEN IN THE BOOK OF THE LAW, TO DO THEM." 11 Now that no one is justified by the Law before God is evident, for "THE RIGHTEOUS SHALL LIVE BY FAITH." 12 However, the Law is not of faith; rather, "HE WHO DOES THEM SHALL LIVE BY THEM."

-James 2:10 (LSB) For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles *in one point*, he *has become* guilty of all.

-Deuteronomy 30:11-14 (LSB) 11 "For this commandment which I am commanding you today is not too difficult for you, nor is it far from you. 12 "It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us and get it for us and make us hear it, that we may do it?' 13 "Nor is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross the sea for us and get it for us and make us hear it, that we may do it?' 14 "But the word is very near you, in your mouth and in your heart, that you may do it.

-Deuteronomy 30:6 (LSB) "Moreover Yahweh your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your seed, to love Yahweh your God with all your heart and with all your soul, so that you may live.

-"When the priest announces the tremendous words of the consecration, he reaches up into the heavens, brings Christ down from His throne, and places Him upon our altar to be offered up again as the Victim for the sins of man. It is a power greater than that of saints and angels, greater than that of Seraphim and Cherubim.

-"...the priest brings down Christ from heaven, and renders Him present on our altar as the eternal Victim for the sins of man—not once but a thousand times! The priest speaks and lo! Christ, the eternal and omnipotent God, bows His head in humble obedience to the priest's command.

-"...he (the priest) offers up again the same sacrifice of adoration and atonement which Christ offered on Calvary. No wonder that the name which spiritual writers are especially fond of applying to the priest is that of alter Christus. For the priest is and should be another Christ."—John O'Brien, The Faith of Millions

-John 3:13 (LSB) "And no one has ascended into heaven, but He who descended from heaven, the Son of Man.

-Mark 7:17-23 (LSB) 17 And when He had left the crowd and entered the house, His disciples were asking Him about the parable. 18 And He said to them, "Are you lacking understanding in this way as well? Do you not understand that whatever goes into the man from outside cannot defile him, 19 because it does not go into his heart, but into his stomach, and goes to the sewer?" (Thus He declared all foods clean.) 20 And He was saying, "That which proceeds out of the man, that is what defiles the man. 21 "For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed the evil thoughts, sexual immoralities, thefts, murders, adulteries, 22 coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, and foolishness. 23 "All these evil things proceed from within and defile the man."

-1 Corinthians 12:3 (LSB) Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus is accursed," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit.

-Acts 2:36-38 (LSB) 36 "Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ--this Jesus whom you crucified." 37 Now when they heard this, they were pierced to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men, brothers, what should we do?" 38 And Peter said to them, "Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

-1 Peter 1:13-16 (LSB) 13 Therefore, having girded your minds for action, being sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. 14 As obedient children, not being conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance, 15 but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your conduct; 16 because it is written, "YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY."

-1 Corinthians 15:17-19 (LSB) 17 And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins. 18 Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. 19 If we have hoped in Christ in this life only, we are of all men most to be pitied.

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