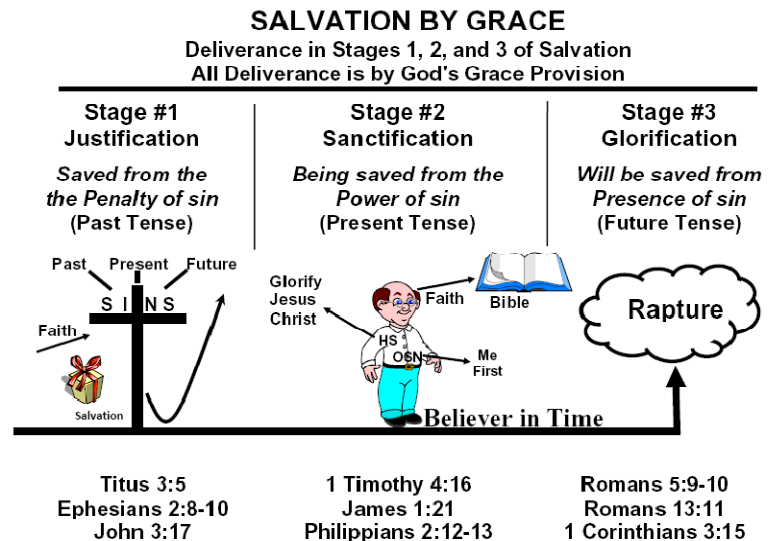


THE FREE GRACE FAUX PAS – JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH ALONE BUT SANCTIFICATION BY FAITH PLUS WORKS?

The authentic Christian life is designed to be a daily, personal, vertical fellowship with God based on your identification with Jesus Christ, motivated primarily by His love, and provided totally by His grace and power, which is enjoyed through repeated responses of faith as one diligently seeks the Lord, resulting in spiritual growth in Christ-likeness, faithful obedience to God's will, and fruitful service to others in love, all to the glory of God.

- **Titus 2:11-14**
- **Colossians 2:6**
- **Basic principle: you live the Christian life the same way that you received Jesus Christ—by grace alone through faith alone in the sufficiency of Jesus Christ apart from law, works, or self-effort. (Ephesians 2:8-9; Galatians 2:16, 3:1-5)**
- **What is legalism?**
- **What is a Free Grace faux pas?**



I. THE FACTS YOU NEED TO KNOW (Galatians 2:20a)

A. The POSITION of Your Christian Life... *“I am (was) crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live...”*

1. The **reality of your identification** is set forth by the words _____ which are emphatic in this verse.
 - * Is this phrase or truth ever revealed in the Old Testament?
 - * Is the “knowing” your position in / identity with Christ important?
2. The **facts of your identification** are...
 - a. You have been “_____ with Christ.”
 - * Is this a past reality or a present / future possibility?
 - * Do you do this to yourself or has God done this for you?
 - * Romans 6:1-14; Galatians 6:14

b. “Nevertheless _____.”

* present tense – active voice – indicative mood –

* What does all this underscore for you as a believer?

B. The POWER of Your Christian Life... “yet not I, but Christ lives in me.”

1. *Negatively*, the Christian life is the _____ life.

* What must you realize in living for Jesus Christ?

* Romans 7:15-25

2. *Positively*, the Christian life is _____.”

* John 15:1-5

* How does Christ accomplish this?

II. THE FAITH YOU NEED TO EXERCISE (Galatians 2:20b)

A. The MANNER of Your Christian Life... “and the life that I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God...”

1. *Your Christian life from day to day* is lived in the *confines* of a _____.

* What is true in light of this reality?

2. *Your Christian life from moment to moment* is to be lived in the *same way* that you were justified (2:16), which is simply _____.

* What are some verses that support this?

* How do you grow in your faith?

3. *Your Christian life is to be lived by faith*, which has as its *object* the _____.

* What are some verses that support this?

B. The MOTIVATION of Your Christian Life... “who loved me and gave Himself for me.”

1. The *great motivation* for your Christian life is that Jesus Christ _____ you and _____ for you.

* 2 Corinthians 5:14-15; 1 John 4:19

2. The *personal astonishment* of God’s love and grace is emphasized by the word _____.