*Monday, October 28, 2013*

**Walk in Faith**

Romans 4:16-17 Therefore it is of faith that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all, 17 (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickens the dead, and calls those things which be not as though they were. (KJV)

Abraham was considered a father of many nations, as well as a father of faith. We have discussed what doesn’t work concerning salvation, now we will look at what does work and what is required on our end to get results.

James 2:20-22 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead? 21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar? 22 See thou how faith wrought with his works and by works was faith made perfect? (KJV)

We pointed out the works according to the old law are no longer in play; however, there is a work or an action on our part that needs to take place for our faith to be made perfect. When you are asked by our Lord to step out in faith, it is required you do so in order for anything to manifest. As a side note, the Lord will only ask you to do things, He never tells you what to do; obedience is up to you.

Can you imagine being promised a son and then waiting for it to happen, only to be asked to offer him back to God? Yet, we fuss and whine if the Lord tries to get us up a half hour earlier in the morning, or to study the Word a bit longer so that we could have a word of encouragement for someone we are about to encounter.

James 2:22-24 See thou how faith wrought with his works and by works was faith made perfect? 23 And the scripture was fulfilled which says, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God. 24 Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only. (KJV)

There are many who believe in God, including demons; however, few of God’s people are willing to step out in faith and walk the walk. Many of God’s people are called, but many fall away, and only a few who have not been frozen by fear and doubt are chosen. This is where we see the separation, because many are all in when it comes time for the blessings, but no shows when it comes time to step out in faith despite what it may cost them.

Hebrews 11:6-7 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. 7 By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith. (KJV)

The Lord is asking His people to build their own ark today, one which has a firm foundation and will hold up through the storms of life. Will your ship float, or end up dead in the water? What would have happened to Noah had he only believed God, but did not step out in faith and act on what he heard?

Genesis 15:1 After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward. (KJV)

The only way to find out the Lord’s reward is to follow His leading, and that can only be accomplished by walking in faith.

God bless dearly loved, and have a prosperous day in Christ Jesus our Lord.