

"And he that doubteth is damned if he eat, because he eateth not of faith: for Whatsoever Is Not Of Faith Is Sin." Romans 14:23 KJV



Is your faith a beautiful flower garden, rooted in the good soil of Truth with plenty of Son Light and Water of the Word, or is it your own crafted arrangement? Does the tree of faith grow and produce fruit in your life or is it a mere hybrid whose fruit has no seed of life within it? A fruit has many attributes and there are many fruits, but only one pleases God; the Fruit of the Spirit of Truth. *"The Fruit (singular) of the Spirit is Love, Joy, Peace, Longsuffering, Gentleness, Goodness, Faith,*

Meekness, [and] Temperance." Faith is not meant to please ourselves, but to please God Who gave it. *"For by Grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the GIFT of God: Not of works. Without faith it is impossible to please Him: That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith...being rooted and grounded in Love."* Is your faith rooted in the Love of God, watered with the Word of God, and growing in the Light of God? We don't have faith if we only have it on Sunday or when things go wrong. Faith is not a self-crafted decoration that adorns our life: It must be our life! Faith is a continuous walk of obedience with the Sovereign of saints. *"This Book of the Law (God's Word) shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein DAY AND NIGHT."* Faith dwells in God's Word. Faith's only desire is to please God. If you have other desires, they are not of faith. *"Whatsoever is not of faith is sin. Faith is the...evidence of things not seen."* Obedience of God's Word is the evidence of faith. Faith petitions God without fretting; knowing God will provide what is needed when it's needed. Worry is unbelief. *"GREAT PEACE have they which love Thy Law."* Jesus said, *"Peace I leave with you, My Peace I give unto you: Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid."* God's Peace is the quiet calm of the Son lit Garden of Faith.

The faithful man depends on God,
Through faith alone he walks the sod,
And when the storm clouds hide the light,
His faith reveals God's Glory bright! –CGP

If you think your faith is OK, it probably is not. *"STUDY to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth. Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are TRUE, whatsoever things are HONEST, whatsoever things are JUST, whatsoever things are PURE, whatsoever things are LOVELY, whatsoever things are OF GOOD REPORT; IF THERE BE any VIRTUE, and if there be any PRAISE, think on these things. Keep thy heart with all diligence for out of it are the issues of life."* Test every nuance of thought, word, and deed with the standard of Truth before allowing it a place in your walk of faith. The desire to obey God is the evidence of faith; it goes against the grain of natural desire. Its armor and strength are the God's Word.

"For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds (desires);) casting down imaginations, and EVERY HIGH THING that exalteth itself AGAINST the knowledge (Word) of GOD, and bringing into captivity EVERY THOUGHT to the obedience of Christ (faith in God's Word); and having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled." 2 Corinthians 10:3-6 KJV