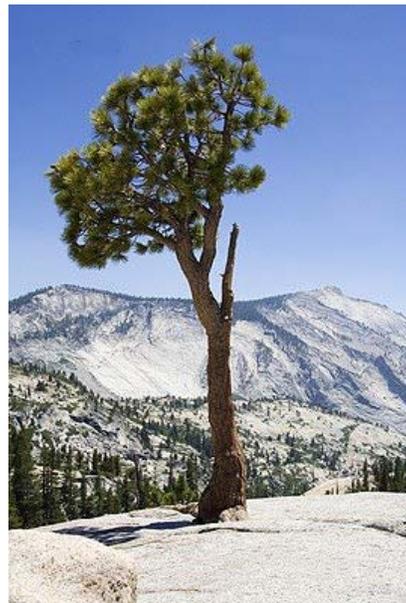


*"For ye (believers) are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus."
Galatians 3:26 KJV*

Becoming a "child of God," is ONLY "by faith in Christ Jesus. But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of Grace and Truth. He that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. Jesus saith unto him, 'I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: NO MAN cometh unto the Father, BUT BY ME.'" It's not faith that saves one, but it's object. "For BY grace are ye saved THROUGH faith; and that NOT OF YOURSELVES: it is the GIFT OF GOD." Man was created a being of faith. Men all have faith in something; whether self, knowledge, money, or



power, the object of their faith defines them for they obey the object of their faith. Faith inspires endurance of a myriad of hardships. Jobs are considered a means to fulfill the desire for leisure time and pleasure. They become the vehicle of faith in money to purchase desire and money morphs into their god. They BELIEVE if they work ardently enough, money fulfills all desire. A man's faith is not dependent upon Truth. Lies are believed and acted upon by millions every election; believed, because of promised fulfillment of desire. Lust invites perdition faith! There is no faith without an object. Those that say, "I don't believe in anything!" believe themselves to be the sole proprietor of discernment. Truth is the only absolute! Jesus is Truth! Jesus is God! Decry it, dispute it, or deny it all you like, but examine your reasons, if you will. Is it, because it doesn't promise the desired fulfillment? It's not the lack of Truth that damns men; it's the lack of knowledge and trust of God's Word. Desire determines faith's object. What is your desire? "Delight thyself also in the Lord, and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart." It's not faith PLUS something that saves. Faith plus something of self placates pride. Pride coerces belief that faith in God alone isn't enough. Men desire to FEEL worthy. They lose child-like trust. "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us. There is none righteous, no, not one." Men refuse to see themselves as vile and unworthy. To admit that they can do nothing to merit redemption and deserve damnation grates against human pride. Pride and fear are used by evil "religious" leaders to coerce followers into everything from giving away fortunes to being suicide bombers. A man kills himself or gives away wealth only if he believes he can achieve great desire or avoid horrible consequence. Only one ever came back from the grave; Jesus! Not Muhammad, not Confucius, not Gandhi, not Buddha, not Ashtoreth, not Isis, not Lenin, not one pope, and the list continues! It's pretty clear, if you want to live forever in pleasure, there's only one absolute! Only Jesus opened the grave! So, it begs the question: "What are your desires? Partially accepted Truth is denial. Why makes you deny Truth?"

If faith is placed in absolutes,
It standeth strong with mighty roots,
And aye, when storms of doubt attack,
There is no season to go back. -CGP

The object of faith determines your destiny. Has pride or fear made you accept a lie? Your destiny beckons.

"And Jesus answering saith unto them, 'Have faith in God.'" Mark 11:22 KJV