



# **Christian Faith Fellowship**

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- We are not a perfect church**
- We are not a perfect people**
- We are here because we know we need God's help and He has provided this help through Jesus Christ our Lord!**



CFF is called to:

**Radiate the love of Christ**

**Reach the Lost and the Saved in order to**

**Restore them into fully mature followers of Christ**

## Accountability Questions

- **Did you spend 5 minutes a day at least 5 days last week reading the Bible?**
- **Did you share a God story with a non-believer this week?**
- **Did you spend time alone with God this week (With no personal agenda)?**
- **Do you know what the Holy Spirit is saying to you?**
- **Are you giving as God has asked?**

- Last Week as we celebrated the death and resurrection of Jesus and the Final Passover sacrifice being Jesus Himself – we want to look further at what that death and resurrection means for you and I today
- There is no question Jesus life, death, & resurrection have made a statement that has impacted the world... but how has it impacted me personally? How has my life changed as a result? In what ways am I different?
- The reason Jesus came into the world was to deal with sin... the disobedience of Adam and Eve in the first place! God said don't but they did anyway!

**Romans 5** 18 Yes, Adam's one sin brings condemnation for everyone, but Christ's one act of righteousness brings a right relationship with God and new life for everyone.

19 Because one person disobeyed God, many became sinners. But because one other person obeyed God, many will be made righteous.

- Christ's 1 act brings about a right relationship with God AND new life!!
- Therefore, if you have received Christ you have a right relationship with God AND you are different!

- You are ‘living a new life’ ...
- The work of Jesus didn’t just make God not see your sin (That’s what the O.T. sacrifices did as they covered the mercy seat and God could not see the sin through the blood – yet they still existed) the work of Jesus destroyed and removed sin from the equation in our life and we stand completely new before God!
- As we go on reading the comparative difference between O.T. Law & what Jesus did

**Romans 5** 20 God's law was given so that all people could see how sinful they were. But as people sinned more and more, God's wonderful grace became more abundant. 21 So just as sin ruled over all people and brought them to death, now God's wonderful grace rules instead, giving us right standing with God and resulting in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

- The Law was given so that we could see how jacked up we are!! How we, on our own, CAN'T live above sin! We find ourselves – no matter how determined living by Law (religion) still failing and falling!

**Romans 6** 1 Well then, should we keep on sinning so that God can show us more and more of his wonderful grace? 2 Of course not! Since we have died to sin, how can we continue to live in it? 3 Or have you forgotten that when we were joined with Christ Jesus in baptism, we joined him in his death? 4 For we died and were buried with Christ by baptism. And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live new lives.

- The author states even though while we were under the law we kept on sinning and couldn't stop... things are now different!
- We have died to sin in Christ!! In receiving the work of Christ and now joined with Him in relationship with the Father things are different!!
- When our lives changed & we were baptized that OLD LIFE OF SIN was buried in the water of baptism, symbolic of Christ's death and being placed in the tomb & just as Jesus arose from the grave and death could not hold Him we have come up alive!

- We now live the resurrected life in Christ with God's power within us – empowering us to live a new life
- No longer are we slaves to sin - what the Law (Religion) could NOT DO – JESUS DID!!
- He defeated sin & death – offering us this opportunity to live the new life!

**Romans 6** 4... And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live new lives.

- **Flashlight**... my flashlight was dead... It had the ability for light but there was NO POWER within!

- Someone had to change it on the inside and NOW – the very reason it was created is realized-BECAUSE it now has the power source that allows it to do so!
- When we try to live right (by the Law or Religion) we see what light is but it is simply exposing US to the light!
- This brings us into the light but when we walk away we only know what should be – we still have no power to LIVE a new life!
- It is in & thru the work of Christ that we receive the power of God within & we are able to live new lives

## Action Steps

- **How has the life, death, & resurrection of Jesus impacted me personally?**
- **Have I been exposed to the teaching of Christ or have I received the work of Christ?**
- **How has my life changed as a result of the work of Jesus?**
- **In what ways am I different since receiving Christ?**