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*The Covenant may
have changed, but
the GOD of it, did
NOT!*

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Do **NOT** take His grace
for granted.

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He still HATES sin.

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*We are justified by faith;
however, faith without
works is dead.*

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Just because we accept Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, does *NOT* mean that's it. Work is included. This isn't called a "*work-based salvation*".

What Paul said in Ephesians 2:8-9 is not to be taken out of context. He was solely saying we aren't justified by our *OWN* doing, works, or power, but by the faith in Jesus Christ. "Good deeds" don't get you saved. But if you believe Jesus Christ is your Lord & Savior, *you are to live a holy-submitted life to Him*. This calls for repentance. You have to change how you previously done things, when you were in sin. Repentance is a lifestyle.

Read Romans 12:1. Paul said that we are to present our bodies as "*a living sacrifice, holy, & acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable SERVICE*".

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Romans 12:2 says, "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

It is in our nature to sin; however, we must die to our fleshly desires and abstain from wickedness. Even *1 Thessalonians 5:22* says, "*Abstain from all appearance of evil*". This walk with Christ calls for **WORK, SACRIFICE, & DISCIPLINE.**

A true believer could call out what we **CAN** and **CAN'T** do as believers, & someone is quick to say, "*You're preaching a works-based salvation, all I have to do is believe in Jesus Christ!*", which is a lie. As the body of Christ, we have to stop dismissing this as a "*works-based salvation*", in order to comfort our sin.

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Jesus said, "*Ye shall know them by their fruits...A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit; neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.*" (Matt. 7:15-20). Based off your actions, someone will be able to tell if you're a disciple of Christ. Hold on, doesn't that sound like "*works*"?

The fruit of the Spirit (*Galatians 5:22-23*) needs to be evident in all of our lives. We are *NOT* to deliberately sin, if so, there remains *NO* more sacrifice for sins (*Hebrews 10:26*). Jesus manifested into flesh to liberate us from what? Our *SINS*, so it would be *foolish* to continue living a life in something He *hates* and *died* for. We are striving to live a sinless life. We are striving for perfection.

But guess what? Faith alone cannot do this. *Work is included.*

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James 2:17

"Even so faith, if it hath not
works, is dead, being
alone."

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