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“God, ...has in these last days spoken to us by His Son” Heb.1:1-2

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“Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.”

(Psa. 23:4)

In this life we have many trials and afflictions, but Jesus said, “...be of good cheer; I have overcome the world” (John 16:33). Trials and tests are part of our human experience. How we face these problems is very important.

Do you worry about all the difficulties you face in life or do you have faith in God to handle all your needs? It is my hope that you will learn to put your faith in God to deliver you from all your troubles. In Psalm 34:17-19 there is information that is very critical when considering God’s help and protection. **“The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles. The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit. Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.”**

In the above verses we see that it is the righteous that cry out to God and receive answers to their prayers. “Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth His will, him He heareth” (John 9:31). If we want answers to our prayers, we must come to God in humility. A broken heart and sincere attitude of repentance is what God is looking for in our hearts and minds. The Lord says in Isaiah 66:2, “...to this *man* will I look, *even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at My word.*”

Our righteousness, that is, the righteousness of Christians, is not our own but the righteousness of Jesus Christ in us. “Even the righteousness of God *which is* by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe...” (Rom. 3:22).

It is when we repent of sin and accept Jesus Christ’s sacrifice to cover all our sins that we become righteous and have right-standing with God.

We must have faith in the atoning work of Jesus Christ. If we do not believe and accept His sacrifice, we can’t be righteous and it will be impossible to please God. Realize that, “...without faith [in Jesus Christ and His atoning work] *it is* impossible to please *Him* [God]: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him” (Heb. 11:6).

But how does one increase faith in God? “...Faith *cometh* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God” (Rom. 10:17). So we see that by studying the Word of God, our faith increases as we learn to trust God and His Word.

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