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"THERE IS THEREFORE NOW NO CONDEMNATION FOR THEM WHICH ARE IN CHRIST JESUS, WHO WALK NOT AFTER THE FLESH, BUT AFTER THE SPIRIT". ROM. 8:1.
IN THE ABOVE SCRIPTURE WE HAVE A SPECIAL CLASS OF PEOPLE BROUGHT FORCEABLY TO OUR ATTENTION: AND THAT IS A CLASS FOR WHOM THERE IS "NO CONDEMNATION". ALL RIGHT THINKING INDIVIDUALS WANT TO BE IN THIS CLASS.
AND IN THIS VERSE THE LORD IS VERY SPECIFIC IN POINTING OUT THREE CLASSES OF "THINGS" WHICH PUTS US IN, AND KEEPS US IN, THIS "UNCONDEMNED" CLASS. FIRST, THOSE THINGS WHICH PUTS US "IN CHRIST JESUS".
SECOND, BY "WALKING NOT AFTER THE FLESH".
THIRD, "BUT BY WALKING AFTER THE SPIRIT".

THERE IS A CLASS OF INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE VERY PARTICULAR IN DOING ALL THAT GOD HAS COMMANDED THEM TO DO IN ORDER TO BE "IN CHRIST JESUS"; BUT PAY BUT LITTLE ATTENTION TO THE OTHER TWO CLASSES OF THINGS, WHICH ARE, "WALK NOT AFTER THE FLESH" BUT "WALK AFTER THE SPIRIT".
STILL ANOTHER CLASS ARE PARTICULAR TO, "WALK NOT AFTER THE FLESH", AND "WALK AFTER THE SPIRIT", SO LONG AS IT HAS TO DO WITH A MORAL LIFE ONLY; BUT PAY NO ATTENTION TO THE THINGS WHICH ARE NECESSARY TO PUT THEM "IN CHRIST JESUS".
BOTH OF THESE CLASSES FALLS SHORT OF BEING IN THE "UNCONDEMNED" CLASS.
IF WE WISH TO BE IN THIS "UNCONDEMNED" CLASS; WE MUST COMPLY WITH ALL THREE CONDITIONS UPON WHICH THIS SCRIPTURE PREDICATES IT.
WHATEVER IS MEANT BY BEING "IN CHRIST JESUS"; THAT CONDITION MUST OBTAIN IN OUR LIVES.
WHATEVER IS MEANT BY, "WALKING NOT AFTER THE FLESH"; THAT CONDITION MUST ALSO OBTAIN IN OUR LIVES.
AND WHATEVER IS MEANT BY, "WALKING AFTER THE SPIRIT"; THAT CONDITION TOO MUST OBTAIN IN OUR LIVES.

PAUL, IN GALATIANS 6:7-8; SAYS; "BE NOT DECEIVED; GOD IS NOT MOCKED: FOR WHATSOEVER A MAN SOWETH, THAT SHALL HE ALSO REAP. FOR HE THAT SOWETH TO THE FLESH SHALL OF THE FLESH REAP CORRUPTION; BUT HE THAT SOWETH TO THE SPIRIT SHALL OF THE SPIRIT REAP LIFE EVERLASTING".
IT IS HARD TO SEE HOW ANYONE COULD MISTAKE THE ABOVE STATEMENT.
IF WE TAKE GOD AT HIS WORD; WE MUST BELIEVE SOWING TO THE FLESH WILL LEAD TO DEATH; WHILE SOWING TO THE SPIRIT LEADS TO LIFE.
IN GAL. 5:19-21; PAUL DESIGNATES SOME OF THE LUSTS OF THE FLESH; ADULTRY, FORNICATION, UNCLEANNESS, LACIVIOUSNESS, IDOLERTRY, WITCHCRAFT, HATRED, VARIANCE, EMULATIONS, WRATH, STRIFE, SEDITIONS, HERESIES, ENVIENGS, MURDERS, DRUNKENESS, REVELINGS. AND HE SHOWS THAT THE LIST IS BY NO MEANS COMPLETE, BY CATALOGUEING OTHER THINGS OF THE SAME NATURE UNDER THE HEAD OF; "AND THE SUCH LIKE": AND IN UNMISTAKABLE TERMS TELLS US; "THEY WHICH DO SUCH THINGS SHALL NOT INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF GOD".
BUT IN VERSES 22-23, HE GIVES US SOME OF THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT; "LOVE, JOY, PEACE, LONGSUFFERING, GENTLENESS, GOODNESS, FAITH, MEEKNESS, TEMPRANCE; AGAINST SUCH THERE IS NO LAW".
WHAT A CONTRAST BETWEEN THESE TRAITS OF CHARECTAR; THOSE WHO FOLLOW AFTER THE LUSTS OF THE FLESH, AND THOSE WHO WALK AFTER THE SPIRIT.
WHY SHOULD ANY RATIONAL BEING WISH TO HAVE HIS GOOD NAME AND CHARECTAR, MARRED BY THE STAMP OF THESE LOATHSOME, AND BITTER LUSTS OF THE FLESH?
WHY SHOULDN'T ANY ONE DELIGHT TO HAVE HIS NAME AND CHARECTAR BEAUTIFIED AND MADE MORE RADIENT BY THESE BEAUTIFUL TRAITS OF CHARECTAR ASCRIBED TO THE SPIRIT? AND YET IN SPITE OF THIS, THE GREAT MAJORITY OF HUMAN BEINGS, CREATED IN THE LIKENESS OF GOD; WALLOW THEMSELVES IN THIS LOATHSOME MIRE, OF THE LUSTS OF THE FLESH; INSTEAD OF WALKING IN THAT CLEAN UPRIGHT LIFE, "OF WALKING AFTER THE SPIRIT".

IN 1 JNO.2:15-16;WE ARE SHOWN THAT ALL THAT IS IN THE WORLD;FIRST,LUST OF THE FLESH;SECOND,LUSTS OF THE EYES;AND THIRD,THE PRIDE OF LIFE;IS OF THE WORLD.AND HE FURTHER SHOWS,THE WORLD WILL PASS AWAY AND THE LUSTS THEREOF,BUT HE THAT DOETH THE WILL OF THE FATHER ABIDETH FOREVER.
AND LETS NOT LOOSE SIGHT OF THE FACT THAT DOING THE WILL OF THE FATHER, AND WALKING AFTER THE SPIRIT ARE ONE AND THE SAME THING. FOR DOING THE WILL OF THE FATHER IS WALKING AS THE SPIRIT DIRECTS;FOR THE WILL OF THE LORD WAS GIVEN BY INSPIRATION OF THE SPIRIT.

WE SEE IN GEN.3:6; THAT OUR FORE PARENTS WERE TEMPTED IN THOSE THREE POINTS MENTIONED IN 1 JNO.2:15-16;AND FELL.
"AND WHEN THE WOMAN SAWW THAT THE TREE WAS GOOD FOR FOOD"(LUST OF THE FLESH); "AND THAT IT WAS PLEASANT TO THE EYES" (LUST OF THE EYES); "SHE [illegible] AND WAS TO BE DESIRED TO MAKE ONE WISE"(THE PRIDE OF LIFE);"SHE TOOK OF THE FRUIT THEREOF,AND DID EAT,AND GAVE UNTO HER HUSBAND WITH HER,AND HE DID EAT".
WHILE ON THE OTHER HAND,IN MATTH.4:1-10;WE SEE JESUS WAS TRIED IN ALL THREE OF THOSE POINTS AND OVER CAME IN THEM ALL.
1 TO 4 TH.VERSES SHOWS HIM BEING TEMPTED IN THE DESIRES OF THE FLESH. HIS APPITITE WAS APPEALED TOO WHILE HE WAS HUNGRY; BUT HE OVERCAME IN THE FOURTH WITH-"IT IS WRITTEN".
5 TO 7 TH.,HE WAS TEMPTED IN THE PRIDE OF LIFE,WHEN.HE WAS,AS IT WERE, DARED TO JUMP OFF OF THE PINICLE OF THE TEMPLE.BUT AGAIN,INTHE SEVENTH HE OVERCAME WITH,"IT IS WRITTEN".
8-10 TH.HE WAS TEMPTED IN THE LUSTS OF THE EYES,WHEN HE SAW ALL THE 10 KINGDOMSC OF THE WORLD AND THE GLORY OF THEM;BUT AGAIN,IN THE TENTH HE OVERCAME BY,"IT IS WRITTEN".
WE ARE TOLD TO PUT YE ON THE LORD JESUS.----------ROM.13:14.
AND MAKE NO PROVISIONS FOR THE FLESH TO FULFILL THE LUST.--ROM.13:14.
IF WE LIVE AFTER THE FLESH,WE SHALL DIE.----------ROM.8:13.
IF WE THRO THE SPIRIT,MORTIFY THE DEEDS OF THE FLESH,
WE SHALL LIVE. -ROM.8:13.
THE WORD IS THE SPIRIT. - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -ST.JNO.6:63.
WE MUST PUT OFF OUR FORMER CONVERSATION. - - - - - - - - -
WHICH IS CORRUPT ACORDING TO DECEITFUL LUSTS. - - - - - - -EPH.4:22.
THIS IS CALLED THE OLD MAN. - - - - - - - - - - - - - -EPH.4:22.
WE ARE TO PUT ON THE NEW MAN. - - - - - - - - - - - - -EPH.4:24.
WHICH,AFTER GOD,IS CREATED IN RIGHTEOUSNESS AND HOLLINESS.EPH.4:24.
WHEN WE HAVE PUT OFF ALL THESE;ANGER,WRATH,MALICE,BLASPHEMY,FILTHY COMMUNICATIONS OUT OF OUR MOUTH,ETC. - - - - - - - - - - - -COL.3:8.
WE HAVE PUT OFF THE OLD MAN. - - - - - - - - - - - - - - COL.3:9.
AND HAVE PUT ON THE NE W MAN. - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -COL.3:10.
FROM THE ABOVE IT IS READILY SEEN TO PUT OFF THOSE LUSTS OF THE FLESH, IS TO PUT OFF THE OLD MAN;WHILE FOLLOWING AFTER RIGHTEOUSNESS AND TRUE HOLLINESS,WE ARE PUTTING ON TH E NEW MAN.
NOW,FRIEND,STOP AND ASK YOURSELF;AM I A NEW MAN ,OR THE SAME OLD MAN SLIGHTLY RENOVATED?
TOO OFTEN WE WANT TO FOLLOW THE LUSTS OF THE FLESH,WORLDLY PLEASURES,THE OLD MAN;AND WHEN THIS IS SPOKEN AGAINST,WE ASK;DO YOU WANT TO ROB US OF ALL PLEASURE IN LIFE? IT IS A POOR BRAND OF CHRISTIANITY,INDEED,THAT GOES BACK TO THE WORLD,FORMER LUSTS,THE OLD MAN,TO GET OUR ENJOYMENT.
THE LORD SAYS;"REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS;AND AGAIN I SAY REJOICE". PHIL.4:4.YES,WE ARE TO REJOICE;BUT IN THE LORD;NOT PART OF THE TIME,BUT ALWAYS .
DO YOU NOT ENJOY DOING THOSE GOOD DEEDS BY WHICH WE ARE "WALKING AFTER THE SPIRIT"?
FRIENDS, IF WE DON'T,OUR CHRISTIANITY IS A VERY POOR CHEAP GRADE..
THE FACT IS,IT IS NO CHRISTIANITY AT ALL;BUT LIKE ISRAEL OF OLD WE ARE LONGING AFTER THE FLESH POTS OF EGYPT.

LIVING AFTER THE FLESH LEADS TO DEATH - - - - - - - - - - - ROM.8:13.
LIVING AFTER THEC SPIRIT LEADS TO LIFE - - - - - - - - - - - -ROM.8:13.
IF YOU ARE IN DOUBT AS TO SOME OF THE RECREATIONS OF TODAY;WHETHER THEY ARE OF THE FLESH OR OF THE SPIRIT:TURN TO YOUR BIBLE AND SEE.
IF THEY AR OF THE SPIRIT, THEY SHOULD BE IN YOUR BIBLE,FOR IT WAS GIVEN BY THE INSPIRATION OF THE SPIRIT.
WOULD YOU EXPECT TO FIND JESUS DOWN TO THE BALL GAME;ROOTING FOR THE HOME TEAM?
WOULD YOU EXPECT TO FIND HIM AT THE PICTURE SHOW OR CARD PARTY?WOULD YOU FEEL PERFECTLY SECURE IF HE SHOULD COME TO MAKE UP HIS JEWELS,ANDC FIND YOU AT ONE OF THESE PLACES? WE HAD BETTER BE SAFE, THAN SORRY.
REMEMBER, "AND BE NOT DECEIVED;FOR GOD IS NOT MOCKED:FOR WHATSOEVER A MAN SOWETH,THAT SHALL HE ALSO REAP.FOR HE THAT SOWETH TO THE FLESH,SHALL OF THE FLESH REAP CORRUPTION;BUT HE THAT SOWETH TO THE SPIRIT,SHALL OF THE SPIRIT REAP EVERLASTING LIFE" GAL6:7-8.AND REMEMBER THAT;"WE ARE DEBTORS NOT TO THE FLESH ,TO LIVE AFTER THE FLESH.FOR IF WE LIVE AFTER THE FLESH WE SHALL DIE;BUT IF YE THRO THE SPIRIT,DO MORTIFY THE DEEDS OF THE FLESH YE SHALL LIVE.FOR AS MANY AS ARE LED BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD;THEY ARE THE SONS OF GOD".ROM.8:12-14.
AND BRETHREN,LEST WE FORGET;LET US REMEMBER THAT A VARIENCE FROM GOD'S WORDIS A,"WALKING AFTER THE FLESH". GAL.5:20.
ANY "VARIENCE" FROM GOD'S WORD,THE SPIRIT, HOWEVER SMALL IS CONDEMNED.
"---THEY THAT DO SUCH THINGS SHALL NOT INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF GOD". GAL. 5:21.WHEN YOU BEGIN TO THINK A SMALL "VARIENCE" WON'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE;READ GAL.5:20-21.DON'T PERMIT YOURSELF TO BE DECIEVED THAT THE LITTLE THINGS WONT COUNT.READ LUKE 16:10.
HOWEVER SMALL THE ANGLE MAY SEEM YOU MAY "VARY" FROM THE TRUTH; DON'T FORGET,THE FURTHER YOU GO,THE FURTHER YOU GET FROM THE TRUTH,THE PATH OF THE SPIRIT.
AND TOO,"HERESIES" ARE A WORK OF THE FLESH. GAL.5:20; AND IS LIKE WISE CONDEMNED. GAL,5:21. THIS,"WALK AFTER THE FLESH",IS SUCH A GREAT DEPARTURE FROM THE PATH OF THE SPIRIT,GOD'S WORD;THAT TYE TEACHERS OF THE "HERESIES",WHO ARE HERETICKS,ARE TO BE REJECTED,AFTER THE FIRST AND SECOND ADMONITION.TITUS 3:10.EVERY INOVATION IN THE CHURCH OF GOD TODAY IS EITHER A "VARIENCE" OR A "HERESY".BOTH ARE A "WALK AFTER THE FLESH". GAL.5:20.AND BOTH ARE CONDEMNED ALONG WITH OTHER LUSTS OF THE FLESH. GAL.5:21. DON'T FORGET PAUL'S ADMONITION IN GAL.5:7-8;ROM.8:12-14;TOGATHER WITH OTHER SCRIPTURES THAT CONDEMN SUCH THINGS AND STEER CLEAR OF ANY AND ALL FLESHLY LUSTS.

PAUL SAYS,IN COL.3:1-2;""IF YE THEN BE RISEN WITH CHRIST,SET YOUR AFFECTIONSC ON THINGS ABOVE,WHERE CHRIST SITTETH ON THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD. SET YOUR AFFECTIONS ON THINGS ABOVE AND NOT ON THINGS ON THE EARTH". THIS IS ANOTHER CRUCIAL TEST OF THE OBJECT OF OUR AFFECTIONS.
ASK YOURSELF,ARE THOSE ACTIVITIES YOU WISH TO ENGAGE IN FOR PLEASURE AND AMMUSEMENT,"--ABOVE WHERE CHRIST SITTETH AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD;OR ARE THEY ON THE EARTH?YOU WILL HAVE NO TROUBLE IN SETTLEING THE QUESTION.
IF YOU WILL NOTICE PAUL MAKES AS BROAD A DISTINCTION BETWEEN THESE TWO LINES OF ACTIVITIES,AS THERE IS BETWEEN HEAVEN AND EARTH.--"SET YOUR AFFECTIONS ON THINGS ABOVE AND NOT ON THINGS ON THE EARTH".COL.3:2.
WE HAVE DISCUSSED AT LENGTH THE LAST TWO PHASES OF THE LESSON IN ROM.8:1 VIZ;"THOSE WHO WALK NOT AFTER THE FLESH",AND "THEY WHO WALK AFTER THE SPIRIT".
REMEMBER THIS "UNCONDEMNED" CLASS WERE "UNCONDEMNED" BECAUSE OF THREE THINGS;FIRST,THOS "WHO WERE IN CHRIST JESUS";AND SECOND,THOSE WHO WALKED NOT AFTER THE FLESH";AND THIRD,"THOSE WHO WALK AFTER THE SPIRIT".
WE ARE NOW READY TO SEE WHAT IT MEANS TO BE IN CHRIST JESUS,AND HOW WE GET THERE.
BUT TO BE IN CHRIST IS TO BE IN HIS BODY;AND TO BE IN HIS BODY, IS TO BE IN THE CHURCH;FOR THE CHURCH IS HIS BODY, COL.1:18; EPH.1:22-23.

IF I SHOULD TELL YOU THAT "FAITH ONLY"WOULD PUT YOU INTO CHRIST,OR TELL YOU TO "PRAY THROUGH",WOULD EITHER BE A BIBLE ANSWER?
SAD TO SAY,FRIEND,BUT NEITHER OF THOSE WAYS WOULD PUT YOU INTO CHRIST, FOR THE BIBLE WAY CONTRADICTS THAT;AND WE ALL KNOW THE BIBLE IS ALWAYS RIGHT IN EVERY INSTANCE.
GAL.3:26;"FOR YE ARE ALL THE CHILDREN OF GOD BY FAITH IN CHRIST JESUS".
NOW,SAYS ONE,BROTHER BEDINGFIELD,YOU SEE YOU ARE MISTAKEN;FOR THAT SCRIPTURE SAYS,"FAITH ONLY".
DON'T BE TOO FAST MY FRIEND,LETS HEAR THE APOSTLE THROUGH;HE HAS NOT FINISHED YET.HEAR THE 27 TH. VERSE;IT BEGINS WITH-"FOR"-,SO,WE KNOW HE IS GOING TO GIVE THE REASON ___,WHY WE ARE CALLED THE CHILDREN OF GOD BY FAITH IN GHRIST JESUS. NOW,ARE YOU READY FOR THE REASON? GET IT.
"FOR AS MANY OF YOU AS HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST HAVE PUT ON CHRIST".GAL.3:27.
HONEST,DEEP DOWN IN YOUR HEART,HOW DID PAUL SAY WE GOT "IN CHRIST"?
LOOK AT IT AGAIN BROTHER,WE CAN'T AFFORD TO BE MISTAKEN IN SUCH AN IMPORTANT A MATTER AS GETTING "IN CHRIST". WHAT IS THE ANSWER?
"--BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST--".AND WHAT CONDITION DID HE SAY WE WERE IN WHEN WE WERE -"BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST"-?READ IT FRIEND,AND BE SURE.
""--HAVE PUT ON CHRIST"-.WOULD THAT BE BY FAITH?TO BE SURE;"FAITH". COMES BY HEARING THE WORD OF GOD.ROM.10:17;AND HERE IN THIS 27 TH. VERSE HE PLAINLY SAYS WE ARE BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST,HAVE PUT ON CHRIST";AND WE MUST BELIEVE IT,OR WE HAVENT "FAITH".

YOU SAY YOU WOULD LIKE MORE PROOF?WELL,HERE IT COMES.
ROM.6:3;"KNOW YE NOT SO MANY OF US AS WERE BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST WERE BAPTIZED INTO HIS DEATH"?
HERE HE SAYS,JUST AS HE DID IN GAL.2:27;THAT WE WERE "-BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST"-.
IF WE DON'T BELIEVE IT;WE HAVENT "FAITH";FOR," FAITH COMES BY HEARING THE WORD OF GOD.ROM.10:17; AND THESE TWO TIMES THE WORD OF GOD HAS BEEN SAYING;WE "WERE BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST".
AND DON'T FORGET THAT TO BE " IN CHRIST JESUS",WAS ONE OF THE REQUSITES IN ROM.8:1;WHERE THERE WAS "NO CONDEMNATION" FOR US:AND THAT IS THE CONDITION WE ALL WANT TO BE IN;"UNCONDEMNED".

BACK TO COL.3:1-2;WHERE WE WERE TOLD TO,"SET OUR AFFECTIONS ON THINGS ABOVE WHERE CHRIST SITTETH ON THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD.SET YOUR AFFECTIONS ON THINGS ABOVE AND NOT ON THINGS ON THE EARTH".
WHEN DID HE SAY FOR US TO DO THIS?READ THE FIRST FEW WORDS IN THIS PASSAGE AND YOU WILL SEE.
HERE IT IS;COL.3:1;"IF YE THEN BE RIZEN WITH CHRIST--".BUT WHAT DOES HE MEAN BY ,"RISEN"-? IT MUST BE SOME WHERE IN THIS LETTER TO THESE COL. BRETHREN,HE HAS SAID SOMETHING ABOUT A --"RISING"--.
AND THAT IS EXACTLY RIGHT.HERE IT IS IN COL.2:12;"BURRIED WITH HIM IN BAPTISM WHEREIN YE ARE RISEN WITH HIM THRO FAITH IN THE OPORATION OF HIM WHO RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD".
THERE IT IS;"RISEN WITH HIM",IN THE SAME ACT WE WERE "-BURRIED-" WITH HIM IN.AND WHAT WAS IT? "B-A-P-T-I-S-M-"
OF COURSE A "BURRIAL",NECESITATES A "RISING",BEFORE A NEW LIFE CAN BEGIN;AND THAT IS JUST WHAT IS STATED IN COL.3:1-2;NOTICE IT:"IF YE THEN BE RISEN WITH GHRIST,SET YOUR AFFECTIONS ON THINGS ABOVE-"ETC:THAT IS, BEGIN THIS NEW LIFE. YES,IN 2 COR.5:17; WE ARE TOLD;"IF ANY MAN BE IN CHRIST ,HE IS A NEW CREATURE;OLD THINGS ARE PASSED AWAY;AND BEHOLD ALL THINGS ARE BECOME NEW". HOW DO WE GET -"IN CHRIST-",WHERE WE "ARE NEW CREATURES;WHERE "OLD THINGS HAVE PASSED AWAY";AND WHERE "ALL THINGS HAVE BECOME NEW"-?SEE ROM.6:3;GAL.3:27; -"BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST-"
PAUL FURTHER SHOWS IN ROM.6:4;WE SHOULD WALK IN-"NEWNESS OF LIFE-"
WHERE DID THIS ,"NEWNES OF LIFE BEGIN?SEE ROM.6:3-4;AND WE SEE WE WERE, "BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST","BAPTIZED INTO HIS DEATH",THAT LIKE AS CHRIST W WAS RAISED FROM THE DEAD BY THE GLORY OF THE FATHER,EVEN WE ALSO SHOULD WALK IN NEWNESS OF LIFE".

THIS IS UN-IMPEACHABLE;THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO DOUBT;AFTER BAPTISM WHEREIN THE BURRIAL AND RAISING ARE CONSUMATED;THE NEW LIFE BEGINS.
SAYS,ONE;DO YOU MEAN BAPTISM ONLY?
NO,NOT BAPTISM ONLY,NOR FAITH ONLY,NOR ANYTHING ELSE ONLY.
BAPTISM IM THE APOSTOLIC CHURCH WAS UPON A CONFESSION OF FAITH IN CHRIST.ACTS 8:36-38;JESUS DEMANDS IT.MATTH 10:32:IT IS UNTO SALVATION, ROM.10:9-10.
OF COURSE YOU MUST "BELIEVE",BEFORE YOU CAN CONFESS THAT "FAITH".
IT IS "UNTO RIGHTEOUSNESS",ROM.10:10;WITHOUT"FAITH",IT IS IMPOSIBLE TO PLEASE GOD HEB.11:6;HENCE, IT IS A PRE-REQUSITE TO ALL OTHER ACTS.

WE MUST REPENT;FOR GOD HAS COMMANDED ALL MEN EVERYWHERE TO REPENT. ACTS 17:30.
ONE WILL SAY,REPENTANCE ONLY?NO,NOTHING ONLY IS ACCEPTABLE.
ANOTHER WILL SAY,BY REPENTANCE YOU MEAN BEING SORRY,DO YOU NOT?
NO, A GODLY SORROW WORKETH REPENTANCE--2 COR.7:10;BUT IT IS NOT REPENTANCE. REPENTANCE IS A TURNING--.OF COURSE YOU WILL BE SORRY FORC YOUR SINFUL LIFE BEFORE YOU WOULD REPENT.HENCE,PAUL SAYS;"A GODLY SORROW WORKETH REPENTANCE---".2 COR.7:10.
SO.WE SEE FRIENDS;BAPTISM UPON A CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH IN CHRIST; PRECEEDED BY ITS PRE-REQUSITES FAITH,AND REPENTANCE,PUTS US INTO CHRIST.ROM.6:3;(COL 3:1-2;WITH COL.2:12;)GAL.3:27;(2 COR 5:17 WITH ROM.6:3).
WHERE WE WALK NOT AFTER THE FLESH BUT AFTER THE SPIRIT".ROM.8:1.
AND HAVE THAT SWEET ASSURANCE OF ROM.8:1;TO THOSE,"IN CHRIST," WHO WALK NOT AFTER THE FLSEH BUT AFTER THE SPIRIT:THAT THERE IS "NO CONDEMNATION" FOR US.
THEN AVAIL YOURSELF OF THIS OPORTUNITYAND CLAIM THIS PROMISE;BY OBEYING THE GOSPEL;FAITH,REPENTANCE,AND BAPTISM UPON A CONFESSION OF YOUR FAITH IN CHRIST;BEING "BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST"(ROM 6:3;COL 3:27),AND "WALK NOT AFTER THE FLESH BUT AFTER THE SPIRIT";AND YOU WILL HAVE THAT WONDERFUL CONSOLATION,THAT THERE IS "NO CONDEMNATION"FOR YOU AS STATED IN ROM.8:1.
AND LETS NOT FORGET,TO,"WALK NOT AFTER THE FLESH BUT AFTER THE SPRIT"; MEANS FOLLOWING THE SPIRITS TEACHING IN ALL THINGS:AND THIS IS A LIFETIME JOB.REV.~~2:10~~. 2:10.

YOURS IN CHRIST.

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