

Works versus Grace

What is the role of works or our righteousness in getting us to God?

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. Eph. 2:8-9

He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, Titus 3:5

nevertheless knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the Law but through faith in Christ Jesus, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, so that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the Law; since by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified. Gal. 2:16

“I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness *comes* through the Law, then Christ died needlessly.” Gal. 2:21

What is the way to get to God or go to heaven?

Jesus *said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me. John 14:6

“Jesus Christ the Nazarene, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead... And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved.”

Acts 4:10-12

And the testimony is this, that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life. These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

1John 5:11-13

What must a person do to receive the gift of salvation?

for “WHOEVER WILL CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED.” Rom. 10:13

and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.” Mark 1:15