

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Romans 3:23

For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made

righteous.

Romans 5:19

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we

rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Romans 5:1-2

to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy,

God—this is your true and proper worship.

Romans 12:1

Your orthopraxy is a direct reflection of your orthodoxy. Your ethical behaviour is a direct reflection of your dogma. Your duties flow out of your doctrine. It's what you believe that essentially designs your behaviour ... there is no basis for right behaviour except right doctrine.

John MacArthur

When it was time for the harvest, Cain presented some of his crops as a gift to the Lord. Abel also brought a gift—the best portions of the firstborn lambs from his flock. The Lord accepted Abel and his gift, but he did not accept Cain and his gift. This made Cain very angry, and he looked dejected.

Genesis 4:3-5

- "No one does good, not a single one."
- "Their talk is foul, like the stench from an open grave.

Their tongues are filled with lies."

- "Snake venom drips from their lips."
 - "Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness."
- "They rush to commit murder.

Destruction and misery always follow them.

They don't know where to find peace."

"They have no fear of God at all."

Romans 3:12b - 18

When he died, he died once to break the power of sin. But now that he lives, he lives for the glory of God. So you also should consider yourselves to be dead to the power of sin and alive to God through Christ Jesus.

Do not let sin control the way you live; do not give in to sinful desires. Do not let any part of your body become an instrument of evil to serve sin. Instead, give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but now you have new life.

Romans 6:10-13

Don't you realize that you become the slave of whatever you choose to obey? You can be a slave to sin, which leads to death, or you can choose to obey God, which leads to righteous living.

Now you are free from your slavery to sin, and you have become slaves to righteous living.

When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the obligation to do right. And what was the result? You are now ashamed of the things you used to do, things that end in eternal doom. But now you are free from the power of sin and have become slaves of God. Now you do those things that lead to holiness and result in eternal life. Romans 6:16, 18, 20-22

"I would like to buy \$3 worth of God please, not enough to explode my soul or disturb my sleep, but just enough to equal a cup of warm milk or a snooze in the sunshine. I don't want enough of him to make me love a black man or pick beets with a migrant. I want ecstasy, not transformation; I want the warmth of the womb, not a new birth. I want a pound of the eternal in a paper sack. I would like to buy \$3 dollars worth of God please." So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, "Abba, Father." For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children. And since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory. But if we are to share his glory, we must also share his suffering.

Romans 8:15-17

But it does cost something to be a real Christian, according to the standards of the Bible. There are enemies to be overcome, battles to be fought, sacrifices to be made, an Egypt to be forsaken, a wilderness to be passed through, a cross to be carried, a race to be run. Conversion is not putting [a person] in an arm-chair, and taking him easily to heaven.

Aaron Armstrong - The cost of being a Christian

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knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your

reward. You are serving the Lord Christ.

Colossians 3:23-24

Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men,