*Friday, November 1, 2013*

**Walk in Faith**

Romans 4:19-22 And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb: 20 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; 21 And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform. 22 And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness. (KJV)

Your walk today with the Lord, is it on the straight and narrow path or did you get a bit tipsy and are staggering around to and fro? Verse 21 uses a term that keeps one grounded and settled and that word is persuaded. The same God that made promises to Abraham has made them to you as well, the question is are you of the persuasion that you won’t settle for less?

Romans 8:35-39 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 As it is written, for thy sake we are killed all the daylong; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. 37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. 38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, 39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (KJV)

If someone told you that salvation is an easy path, then they were someone who truly hasn’t walked the walk. There are a lot of fun loving good time doctrines and people pleasers who make salvation look like a picnic in the park. However, the reality is that the closer you draw to God, the more opposition you will encounter. Are you really of the persuasion that none of these things will separate you from the love of God?

Romans 4:22-25 And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness. 23 Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him; 24 But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead; 25 Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification. (KJV)

When reading the scriptures and the things that God’s people endured you should be able to relate to them personally and understand that even though these people were victorious in their walk, there were times of trial and tribulation. The things that have been pointed out the last couple of weeks in Romans Chapter 4 is so that you can eliminate things that are now considered to be vain and dead, and concentrate on what really works, which is grace through faith.

Romans 11:5-6 Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace. 6 And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work. (KJV)

Stick with things that work, live by faith in what our Lord is asking of you personally and don’t waste your time with a bunch of dead lifeless works that man says are still in play. Instead concentrate on walking by faith and not by your outward sight.

God bless dearly loved, and have a prosperous day in Christ Jesus our Lord.