

“You Have Seen Me And Still You Do Not Believe” John 6:30-36

There are 4 ways in which we learn anything:

1. Rationalism expresses faith in human intellect based on human logic; it’s using one’s mind to access what is ultimately true which makes this system obviously dependent on one’s reasoning ability or I.Q.

2. Empiricism is sensory perception through observation.

3. *Intuition by-passes reason and logic to simply assume truth.*

4. Faith is the only non-meritorious way we learn.

To become a Christian, the object of our faith for salvation is Jesus Christ and His substitutionary spiritual death on the cross for us.

And after our salvation has taken place, the object of our faith is the promises of God to us along with His life-giving principles found in His Word.

Ironically, when the object of our faith is God and His plan, our rationalism or reason and empiricism or experience are consistent with divine viewpoint.

Faith is not blind or without logic; faith uses reason, eye-witness accounts and evidence to solidify what is accepted by faith.

For those who come to Jesus Christ through faith or believing on Him, this is an opportunity to follow in His footsteps and believe Him as committed members of His body.

We enjoy faith-rest when we claim certain promises of God, rely on certain principles of God and mix them with our faith to apply them.

There are two types of faith used in thinking the mind of Christ: faith reception and faith application and combined, they make up the faith-rest life.

Faith in God’s grace makes for a fantastic system of indoctrination.

And because it’s a grace plan and no two of us have the same amount of understanding, God has provided an unlimited spiritual I.Q. for us from biblical truth stored in our human spirit.

Human I.Q. is never a factor in the plan of God; otherwise God would be unfair.

For this reason every Church Age believer has received all the grace help necessary: 1) The indwelling Holy Spirit; 2) Activation of the human spirit at salvation;

3) A pastor-teacher to communicate biblical truth.

And it’s all grace from the formation and preservation of the Scriptures to providing a classroom for learning them, the local church with a qualified spiritually gifted pastor-teacher.

God has also graciously provided the Royal priesthood of the believer for privacy and reception of His Word.

And we have the indwelling and filling of the Holy Spirit for our success.

When you come right down to it, it’s only God’s magnificent grace that makes it possible

for us
to think, concentrate, learn and apply His truth.

Everyone of us will face the fear of suffering a dangerous death in our lifetime; there are many types of fear but faith-rest overcomes them all.

The desires of the heart are based upon reaching greater-grace status where we'll have not only tremendous capacity for life, with all blessings necessary in the spiritual realm but we'll also have new desires compatible with our new experiential condition.

We're going to suffer as believers but the outcome is going to be wonderful!

When we understand biblical principles and accept them as true, we can apply them by faith, with our minds and not with our emotions.

Salvation is based on the evaluation and acceptance of a true proclamation that Jesus Christ died on the cross as a substitute for us to pay for our sins.

As believers in Jesus Christ, we must focus on

His mind to get to that marvelous point in life where what the Bible says is more important even more real to us than how we feel about anything.

Human good is man's relative righteousness which can never meet the standards of God's absolute righteousness.

Religion arrogantly seeks to earn the attention of God through the dead works of human good but Christianity, which is not a religion, is a personal relationship with God based not on human good but on our graciously provided possession of God's perfect righteousness.

The human good crowd always gravitates toward human good.

Popular opinion is of no value to the spiritually mature believer.

We must come to God's plan, God doesn't come to ours.