

# FAITH IN FOUR ASPECTS

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Let's discuss what the Scriptures say concerning "**faith in four aspects.**"

**Justified by Faith.** "Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." {Romans 5:1}

Our faith in Christ, along with obedience to His terms, gives us the blessed assurance that we can stand justified before our Lord. Justified means "acquitted or made right." Sinful man can stand, without fear of condemnation, at the judgment seat of Christ {2 Corinthians 5:10}.

**Standing by Faith.** "Not that we have dominion over your faith, but are fellow workers for your joy; for by faith you stand." {2 Corinthians 1:24}

In his first letter to the Corinthians, Paul told them that, in order to be saved, they must continue to stand in faith {1 Corinthians 15:1-4}. We stand in faith when we continue in the truths revealed in the Scriptures.

**Living by Faith.** "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me." {Galatians 2:20}

Living faith is obedient faith. Hebrews 11 provides an excellent commentary on living by faith. It's really quite simple-God directs us and we follow Him.

**Walking by Faith.** "For we walk by faith, not by sight." {2 Corinthians 5:7} In this context, the word walk refers to "manner of life, or conduct." The Christian's manner of life should clearly demonstrate to those in the world that God's people live by a very different standard than they do. Jesus said that our lives should serve as "lights" in the dark world of sin {Matthew 5:13-16}.

Faith is a subject that most of the religious world places great emphasis upon—some too much. God's book tells us that without it "it's impossible to please God," Hebrews 11:6. Yet, it must be Bible faith—obedient faith because it is the only faith that can save sinful men, James 2:14-26. Dear reader, are these "four aspects" clearly evident in your life? \*\*\*