

GOD Talk # 14

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Faith – Part 2

It was by faith that the patriarch Noah and his sons built the ark, thereby saving humanity, and the animal (and the ocean) kingdoms from extinction. (Gen 6:13-22) Consequently, everyone who has lived since the Great Flood is a descendant of Noah and his wife. In other words, we are all blood relatives; and everyone who has ever lived is a descendant of the first man and woman, namely Adam and Eve. (Gen 1:26-30)

It was by **faith**, that the patriarch Abram (whose name was later Changed by GOD to Abraham) left his homeland, and went to the land of Canaan, as The Lord Instructed him. There, GOD Said that He Would Make Abraham to be the father of a great nation, and Bless him Abundantly. (Gen 12:1-9) After Abraham and Sarai (Abraham's wife) **Believed** that GOD Would Keep His Promise, GOD Caused Sarai to conceive and bring forth a child (Whom The Lord Told them to name Isaac) at 91 years of age. (Abraham was one hundred years old when Isaac was born!) (Gen 21:1-8) Again, by **faith**, (and by GOD's Instruction As He Spoke To Moses)... Moses and the Nation of Israel crossed the Red Sea **on dry ground!** Soon afterward, GOD Caused the sea to drown Pharaoh's pursuing army. ☺ It was by **faith** that the prophet Daniel was unharmed when he was locked in a den of hungry lions; and by **faith**, that Joshua's army took the city of Jericho by just marching around it seven times and then shouting The Victory that GOD Had Given them, as the walls of the city came tumbling down. (Jos 6:1-20)

In the same way, through our **faith** in the Indescribable Gift Of Messiah's Atonement, we are Forgiven and Saved from the consequences of our sins. (which is separation from The On True Everlasting GOD) (Eph 2:8) So, when we are mindful to confess our sorrow for committing them, and repent (determine in our hearts not to commit them again), we are Justified by our Faith, and Granted The Grace Of our Sovereign Heavenly FATHER. That is, when we **Believe** that YESHUA (JESUS) Paid the price for our sins, and **Believe** that it Was for that very Purpose Which Avenu (Our Heavenly FATHER) Sent The Messiah, He Accounts them **as if they had never occurred**. (Rom 3:21-26; 5:1-21) We are totally Forgiven, and GOD Completely Forgets that we ever committed them. Ergo, we are Looked Upon as His Beloved (and Blameless) Children, and are entitled to the accompanying Privileges and Benefits. **This Is our Heavenly FATHER's**

Will for us all from the beginning. (2 Pet 3:9) Again, It Is The Reason that He Sent His Son to the Earth in the first place... to Make Atonement for our sins, to Prepare The Way for us to enter into Eternal Life in Paradise, and to Sanctify The Blessings That He Desires To Give us all. (Jn 3:16)

What a Glorious Benediction! How Wonderful You Are, Oh GOD!! Truly, it couldn't get any better than that... *could it?* Well, readers, notwithstanding... the **very best** Blessing of the **exercising of our Faith** will be expounded upon in the next treatise. ☺ (Yayyyyyyyyy!)