



Series: Live by Faith

Title: It's Not What You Have or Where You're From

Scripture: Romans 2:12-29

2025 Theme Scripture: Romans 1:16-17 (ESV) *For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."*

May Memory Verse: Romans 2:4 (ESV) *Or do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?*

1. Everyone is trying to do something about their own sin, guilt, and hurt. (vs. 12-16)
 - Everyone tries to use what they grew up with to try to figure out how to assuage their guilt.
 - Everyone tries to do enough good to outweigh the bad.
 - Everyone needs a real encounter with the living God, Jesus Christ.
2. What you say does not prove what you believe. What you do proves what you believe. (vs. 12-16; James 1:22-23; James 2:17-19)
 - You do not have to know everything about following Jesus to believe and start following Jesus. (vs. 15-16)
 - God sees what is in the heart.
3. Everyone must confess their sin (we all break the law whether we know the law or not). (vs. 17-24)
 - The Law (10 Commandments) was not given to save us, but was given to convince us that we need to be saved by God through Jesus. (Heb. 10:1)
4. Everyone who trusts Jesus for salvation will be saved and receive the Holy Spirit as the sign of the covenant with God. (vs. 25-29; Eph. 1:13)
 - Outward signs of faith mean nothing if there is no inward regeneration and transformation. (2 Cor. 3:7)

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