

“To believe on Christ is to receive Christ (for He is the Word of God); not to assent to a creed, but to accept a Life; not to strive for the maintenance of certain outward forms, but to become “partakers of the divine nature.” II Peter 1:4.

Creeds and forms cannot save people from their sins. Terrible is the catalogue of the sins of those “having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof.” II Tim. 3:1-5. **A new life** must be imparted before man can “live unto God.” “Except a man be born from above, he cannot see the kingdom God.” John 3:3. “For neither is circumcision anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation.” Gal. 6:15, R.V.

This experience depends upon the faith which each one exercises for himself, and “it is of faith, that it might be by grace.” Rom. 4:16.

To all who sincerely pray the prayer, “**Create in me a clean heart,**” (Ps. 51:10), the reply comes, “**Believe ye that I am able to do this? ... According to your faith be it unto you.**” Matt. 9:28-29. For our Saviour has spoken, saying, “*Now ye are clean through the Word which I have spoken unto you !*” John 15:3. “**Today, if ye will only hear His Voice . . . !**” II Corinthians 6:2 and Hebrews 3:7

“And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith” (1 John 5:4); but faith for victory is the “faith which worketh by love.” Gal. 5: 6.

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