

Faith or Works

Works is a Jewish thing written in the Jewish books of the Old and New Testaments. These books and their words are obsolete and do not apply to the Gentile Body of Christ.

NOTE Any mention in this article of “the Body of Christ” refers to those individuals who have a relationship with God and possess the Spirit of God. The mention does not mean those followers of Catholicism or Covenant / Reformed Christianity who do not belong to God and have neither.

The Body of Christ is not a religion. It is a relationship with God, and the abiding Spirit of God.

The modern-day religion called Christian, dating back to the 4th century and before, approaches the Bible as if all the books in the New Testament were written for, and apply to, the Gentiles. They weren't and they don't.

Fun Fact: 1600 through 1900 years after Christ, the man-made religion called Protestant Christian simply went through the Bible picking out various verses to create the hodge-podge of things they chose to believe, totally disjointed and out of context. Their belief system has no continuity with the Bible and so, it is a false religion, plain and simple. This is why the Christian religion can believe

- The seven Churches of the Revelation belong to them
- They are the center of all religion
- They are the true Israel
- They are God's chosen
- God rejected the Jews and transferred all the blessings He gave to the Jews to The Christian religion
- The Jews retain all the curses,
- Deciding God did not really give the Jews the land of Canaan
- Jesus spoke directly to Christians 2000 years future telling them to “GO YE”
- Baptism is a thing, and
- Tithing is a thing,
- ...and I'm going to be an astronaut.

None of this is remotely true. It's fun to just say stuff. Just saying it doesn't make it so.

God divided the Bible into five parts:

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| 1. Old Testament | History |
| 2. The four Jewish Gospels | History |
| 3. The Acts of the Apostles | History |
| 4. Pauline Epistles | Gentiles (Romans - Philemon) |
| 5. Hebrew Epistles Revelation) | Jews (Hebrews - The Book of the |

For a full explanation of these books and divisions, see the articles on this sight entitled "[The Simple Bible](#)" and "[100% of Religion does not Apply](#)" PPGpilot.com

The Christian Religion combines all the New Testament books together to create a confusing mix of law and grace, ascribing Jewish doctrines, ideas, and concepts to their Gentile audience. While all the books in the Bible contain good information, important to know and understand, only God's message to man, the Pauline epistles, provides guidance for the Body of Christ (Romans through Philemon). The four Jewish Gospels provide information in the same way the Old Testament, and the obsolete Jewish Hebrew epistles (Hebrews through the Book of the Revelation) say nothing to the Gentiles as to life and living.

The Law

The Jewish Hebrew epistles are Jewish books written by Jews, to Jews, for Jews, about Jews, the Jewish law, and Jewish things and Jewish times. As Christ ascended, the world turned the page to a new program: one that did not include the Jews or the Jewish writings. The Jews became obsolete as they were scattered like chaff across the globe. The Jewish writings became obsolete as they no longer apply to anyone. Only the Jews continue in their religion that has been superseded by God's Grace in this new Age of Grace. This is true of the four Jewish Gospels about the Jews as well. The Gentile Body of Christ is not Jewish and these Jewish books do not apply to them. Neither do they apply to any of the many varieties of Christianity that chose to believe they do.

Reading the Jewish Hebrew epistles, you will find references to Peter's Jewish Gospel: "**believe in Jesus, repent, and be baptized for the remission of sins**". Many Christian derivatives mistakenly follow this verse as the Gospel of the Christian religion. It is a false Gospel. It is not Paul's Gospel: the Gospel God gave Paul to take to the Gentiles. Paul says: "**if anyone preaches to you a Gospel other than his, let them be accursed**". Peter's Gospel is a different Gospel. The Gospel Jesus preached to His disciples in the four Jewish Gospels: "**The Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand**", is a different Gospel to the Jews. Both Gospels spoke to the Jews, neither speak to the Gentiles. Both are a "**different Gospel**". Both are being preached throughout Christianity today in error.

Paul's Gospel is immediate salvation through faith by God's grace and a baptism of the indwelling Spirit of God. Very different indeed.

Fun Fact: The miracles, signs, and wonders, tongues, healings, and casting out demons were active during the time of Jesus in the four Jewish Gospels, and during the time of the Apostles as chronicled in the book of Acts. These gifts were replaced, post-ascension, with the greater miracle of the indwelling Spirit of God.

Also superseded was the concept of church, tabernacle, cathedral, temples, and alters. Individuals of the Body of Christ are each the temple of God by virtue of the abiding Spirit of God, and have no need for such buildings. Christianity embraces a false model of “church” derived from the Jewish anthology of Old Testament sacrifice and temple worship, and pagan temple worship, neither applying to the Body of Christ. This is one of the many elements Christianity decided to add to their “Do It Yourself” religion.

The Jewish books also include the Tribulation, the Kingdom of God on earth, and the big ***IF*** - If you continue under the law, you may earn a future salvation. These books do not include any Pauline language or references to the indwelling Spirit of God that is foundational to Paul’s epistles, the Gentile Body of Christ, and God’s message to man.

Confusion

So, why does Christianity teach these Jewish books as though they pertained to Gentiles. The short answer is their spiritual blindness due to Covenant Theology.

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The result is confusion. You read in one place about works (James to the Jews) and another place that works do not apply (Paul in Romans writing to the Gentiles). The people in the Christian religion do not realize that the different books of the New Testament apply to different people groups, i.e. the Jews and the Gentiles.

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James writes to the Jews only, speaking of the Jewish law and the requirement for the Jews to put forth effort and work to follow, obey, and prove the law of Moses. **The Jews must produce to prove their faith.** That makes sense since the book was written to only Jews under the law.

James_2:17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.

James_2:18 Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.

James_2:20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

James, in his letter, the earliest writing of the New Testament books, is not writing to, or referring to the Gentile Body of Christ that did not then exist. James did not write his epistle to Gentiles in general, or to the Gentile Body of Christ at all. He certainly did not write his letter to the perverse, corrupt Gentile Roman pagan Christian religion, or to a Protestant Gentile Christian Church that would not begin for **fifteen centuries** in the future. In fact, James never wrote anything to Gentiles, never taught Gentiles, never ministered to Gentiles. James went out of his way to avoid the Gentiles as all Jews did then and do

today. That the present-day Christian religion takes anything James says in his letter to the Jews as written to them is blindly absurd.

The Gentile Body of Christ would answer James: ***Works for works sake is empty. Works to prove faith is all filthy rags before the Lord and can never please God.*** Ask Mother Teresa, who, at an early age, determined that she would be the greatest of all at piety and serving others. She spent her life religiously following the Christian version of the Jewish law, devoting herself unto good works and service to God, only to write in her last years that she never felt so far from God. Well said. And Jesus said:

“I never knew you”

Grace

The ascended Christ called Paul to the ministry of the Gentiles, and these Spirit-indwelted believers became the Body of Christ a.k.a. Christ’s Church. (This is not the Christian religion.)

Fun Fact: Jesus came to the Jews and did **not** come to the Gentiles.

- The ascended Christ did **not** call Paul to minister to the Jews who the Romans called Christians.
- Christ did not call Peter, James, or John to a ministry of the Gentiles.
- God hardened and blinded the Jews so that they cannot see the truth, then scattered them across the globe, rendering the Jews obsolete, and their writings obsolete, and their religion obsolete.
- Yet, the Christian religion has a myopic focus on all things Jewish, and a fictitious Gospel Jesus, and the obsolete writings of James, Peter, and John. None of these things have anything to do with the Gentiles.
- Then, Christianity ignores God and God’s message to mankind through Paul.
- Christianity only suffers Paul to take snippets from his epistles - out of context - to support their propaganda.

It is the Apostle Paul who penned the information God intended for the Gentiles. Instead of the law and works, Paul writes that we are free from the ineffectual law that could never save, and we are now under God’s saving grace. You can see how this can be confusing. James and Paul are apples and anvils different, yet, their writings are nestled together in the same New Testament to be confused by false religions, and people who lack spiritual guidance and understanding.

In the book of Romans, Paul addresses the problem the Jews had with the law, and how grace is much better, and now supercedes the law. Consider the following samples of many:

Romans 3:28 Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law.

Romans 5:1 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: :2 By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Romans_9:30 What shall we say then? That the Gentiles, which followed not after righteousness, have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness which is of faith. **31** But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the law of righteousness. **:32** Wherefore? Because *they sought it not* by faith, but as it were by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumblingstone;

Romans 11:6 And if by grace, then *is it* no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if *it be* of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.

Instead of confusion, following the information God gave Paul to take specifically to the Gentiles in this new Age of Grace, eliminates all four Jewish Gospels and the Jewish Hebrew epistles that are for the Jews and based on the Jewish law, both now relegated to history and information just as the Old Testament writings. It is clear from Paul's epistles that we are no longer under the ineffectual law that could never save, a law that never worked for the Jews. Instead, the Gentile Body of Christ is under God's grace that saves now and for eternity. Why does Christianity focus on obsolete Jewish writings about the law?

Fun Fact: The Christian religion of the last 1900 years, every variety, is nowhere found in the Bible.

Fun Fact: The word Christian(s) appears in the Bible only three times and always and only referred to the Jews that believed Jesus was their Messiah. The Gentiles were never called Christian.

Fun Fact: In their 30+ years of ministry and writings, neither Peter, Paul, James, John, nor Jude ever referred to themselves, their followers, or their church as "Christian" wanting nothing to do with the title.

Fun Fact: The Body of Christ has no connection to the Christian religions of our day that preach a different Gospel, a different Spirit, and a different Jesus.

The Organic Spiritual Life

The Gentiles are not under the law or beholden to a formula of works to earn a future salvation as are the Jews. The program of the Jews: works, water baptism, God's Kingdom on earth, and the laws of Moses, has ended Sadly, the Christian religion, from its inception, misinterprets and misunderstands the Bible, choosing to follow and hold to aspects of Jewish anthology, and remain blind to the simplicity of God's grace. Their barking up the wrong tree.

The Body of Christ has no connection to the Jews, the four Jewish Gospels, or the Jewish Hebrew epistles. These speak of Jewish things to the exclusion of God's message to mankind through the Apostle Paul.

When Jesus said: "***It is Finished***", a new age began: The Age of Grace. This is the end of the Jews, the Jewish program, the Jewish books of the Bible, all finished; superseded by the new program of

God's grace. And it is a very simple message at that: our faith results in God's grace and the indwelling Spirit of God, resulting in our transformative life and all that entails.

How it Works

How does grace work in the life of the children of God? Does our grace mean that the Body of Christ is inactive, does nothing, ineffectual to God because of our faith and God's grace? Not at all. However, **while the results look much the same, the mechanics between law and grace are completely different.**

Where the Jew must follow the law as an obligation, hoping for a future salvation, the child of God has salvation now and lives in the Spirit, naturally, doing the things of the law. It is not an obligation as with the Jews, but joy in the Spirit of God. Here's an example:

A 13 year old girl comes home from school one day to find her parents, a boy, and his parents. The girl's parents inform their daughter that this boy is her husband in an arranged marriage. The girl has no attraction at all to this boy, in fact, she is repulsed by him. Ewwwww! Her parents tell her she will learn to love him, but she never does.

Rewind this situation to where the girl meets a boy, they have instant chemistry and fall in love and can't imagine life without the other. They marry and live their out life happily in love.

This is a picture of the Jew - an arranged marriage of drudgery under a law they can never fulfill. Compare this to the Child of God in the Spirit of God, in God's love, led by God, living in the Spirit, animated, directed, motivated by the Spirit unto a life that is an automatic, organic, passionate, effortless, following the Spirit's leading unto good works. What resembles "good works under the law" are actually the **result** of a joyful life in the Spirit under God's grace, not a prescribed obligation under a law of do's and don't's.

It just happens. We couldn't stop if we wanted to.

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Fun Fact: If the Apostle Paul were with us today, he would warn the Body of Christ to have nothing to do with the false religions called Christian, and their false gospels, false Jesus, and false Spirit. He no doubt would add an anathema or two.

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