

CELL MEETING GUIDE 12 TO 18 MAY 2025

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EXALT GOD IN PRAISE AND WORSHIP

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EDIFY ONE ANOTHER THROUGH HIS WORD

Sermon Title: Are We Saved by FAITH or WORKS?

Sermon Date: 11 May 2025

Reference Text: James 2:14-26

Speaker: Elder James Lee

SERMON RECAP

We are saved by grace through faith (Ephesians 2:8,9). This truth was recaptured by Martin Luther and the reformers.

However, genuine saving faith will be expressed in good works because genuine faith is more than just belief. Genuine faith requires us to act on our belief. Hence, faith without action or works is dead.

The motivation for our actions should not be to earn salvation. Salvation through doing good works is primarily motivated by selfish ambition. Good works that come from a genuine saving faith on the other hand is motivated by knowing how much God loves us. When we realize how much God loves us, we can find the motivation for any good work.

Because God has saved us in His great love, we have an obligation to live out our faith. 3 suggested areas we can do this are:

1. In overcoming our habitual sins and old sinful ways through Faith.
2. In trusting God for our provision daily through Faith.

3. In cultivating our spiritual disciplines in order to mature in Christ through Faith.

SHARING

1. Can you describe in 2 sentences the differences between a faith that is alive and a faith that is dead? What is the difference between simple belief and genuine saving faith?
2. Does your faith feel like it has become simply works? Is it because we have forgotten God's love for us? In our faith struggles, is it because our love for God has grown cold? Please share.
3. Describe one area in your life which you can apply your faith to, be it overcoming a habitual sin, trusting God in daily provision, or in growing in our spiritual disciplines in order to mature more in Christ. Please share your successes or your failures.

PRAYER

1. Pray that our lives will be characterized by actions that are motivated by God's love for us.
2. Pray that we will always be grateful for the Cross of Calvary where Jesus died for our sins in order to prepare us for good works unto Him.
3. Pray that as a church, our CP outreach will always be motivated by God's love and not become a routine of dead works.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. May PrayerWatch



2. Join the Worship Team



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