

What Does it Mean to be a Christian?

A Living Faith

INTRODUCTION

- A _____ is an expression of love. To love and _____ have an expression of love is to not love. (Look up 1 John 4:9-11)
- Do you have a living faith? How would anyone know?

FAITH WITHOUT WORKS IS DEAD

- A faith that is not _____ Christ and _____ Christ is a faith that does _____ save.
- There is a ty_____ of f_____ that does not save.
- James 2:17 So also faith by itself, if it does not have w_____, is d_____.
- Two errors: 1) E_____ believism 2) Make good works into the L_____
- The _____ is the narrow road and it is easy to fall to one side or the other. Our faith which is made alive by the gospel, f_____ t_____ in what Jesus has done. Our faith does _____ trust in our good works, yet because of our faith which is made alive by the gospel, we are moved to _____ good works.

FAITH AND WORKS CANNOT BE SEPARATED

- How is a coin an example of the relationship between faith and good works? _____

- You cannot separate f_____ from good w_____; you cannot even show your faith apart from works.
- You can understand someone's faith by their works.

FAITH IS COMPLETED BY WORKS

- We are saved by f_____ alone but faith is n_____ a_____ . Luther

WHAT ABOUT YOU?

1. Do you have a living faith? How would anyone know?

2. What side of the gospel road do you tend to fall off? Easy believism? Legalism?
3. What good works are you now called to do?

