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Subject: The Faith Message

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mark1124 wrote on Sun, 12 February 2006 08:01Do you think that maybe God is continuing to restore the house that was once built, line upon line, precept upon precept?

Yes I do believe that He is in the process of restoration and the faith message is absolutely necessary for the completion of the work. Like you said, there are a lot of pieces that need to come together and God is bringing it about in the lives of His people.

My whole contention is one of addition (adding to our faith) not giving anything up!

I agree with Hombre, he said:

Quote:...many of our ilk from FA, had their eyes placed somewhere else, and instead of blaming Hobart, as so many have/do....I am going to submit that people deified 'the faith message' itself...as a method of obtaining from God, versus looking unto the Author and Finisher of our faith.

We all know the importance of "faith" (do I need to recite the verse list here?) but to lift faith out of the context of a living, intimate, relationship with Jesus and place it on a pedestal means that we have "deified" the message.

I know from my own experience that when I am walking close to the Lord, I don't think about "having" faith... it's just there, like a by-product of the relationship. On the other hand when my walk with God isn't what it should be "having" faith is a struggle and I'm constantly re-evaluating my faith, checking off the conditions, etc., etc..

"Faith" in a system might work for some but I would be very wary of the source.

Quote:OK...Mark is off his soapbox and back in his shell.

Hey, I like Mark out-of-the-box!

Concerning the other things you wrote I'll need to think a little more before I wade in over my head.

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