

Checking Your Faith

Faith in general is believing in **something**, but **saving faith** is believing in God - That God is who He says He is, and that God will do what He says He will do. General faith at best helps us have a good attitude, while **saving faith** connects us to God's grace that enables us to see Jesus and witness miracles (John 3:3). Below are four true or false statements you can ask yourself to evaluate which kind of faith you're living by: General Faith or **Saving Faith**.

Do the following in this order:

- A. Mark each statement as true or false according to your personal opinion.
- B. Write personal explanations as to why you believe each statement is true or false.
- C. Read the Bible passages to discover who God is and what He says exactly.

TRUE FALSE

1. *Though I've been unloving at times my inner goodness outweighs my mistakes - making me right with God.*
(**Mathew 22:37-40 | Romans 3:23 | Isaiah 64:5-7 | Romans 5:8-11**)

TRUE FALSE

2. *Obeying God's commands is the means by which I'm saved from sin, and connected to Jesus.*
(**Galatians 5:1-6 | Ephesians 2:1-10**)

TRUE FALSE

3. *The big idea of salvation is being saved from hell after I die. Until then, I'm on my own to do the best I can.*
(**John 10:1-15 | Romans 8:1-17**)

TRUE FALSE

4. *When bad or painful things happening to me it proves I'm a bad person or that God does not love me.*
(**Romans 8:31-39 | Hebrews 12:5-13**)

If this stirred up some questions or curiosities in you, please jump into "Foundations of Faith."

*A six week small group...Wednesday nights at 7pm in the Hillside conference Room. Leader: **Terry Nance - 707.481.4758***