

**God has  
expectations  
of you**



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He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you?

To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

## **Righteousness**

receive righteousness before you can practice righteousness

## **Love**

accept love before you can show love

## **Faith**

hear from God before you can exercise faith

## **Humility**

stop striving before you can be humble

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God never expects anything of you from your own strength. You first receive, then you can fulfill His expectations

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# First receive righteousness

Romans 5

<sup>17</sup> For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!

<sup>18</sup> Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people.

## Romans 4

<sup>3</sup> What does Scripture say? “Abraham believed God (had faith in God), and it was credited to him as righteousness.”

## 1 Corinthians 1:30

It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our **righteousness**, holiness and redemption.



## Receive first, then you can practice righteousness

1 John 3:7 "Little children, let no one deceive you. The one who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous."

Ephesians 2:10 "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them."



## Receive first, then you can practice righteousness

Matthew 7:17–18 "Likewise, every good tree bears good fruit (a person made righteous produces righteous acts), but a bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit."

Matthew 5:16 "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

# First accept love

1 John 4:10

This is love: **not that we loved God**, but that he loved us (first) and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

Don't brag about how much  
you love God, brag about how  
much God loves you

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# Accept God's love for you so that you can show love to others

Galatians 5:14

For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command:  
“Love your neighbor as yourself.”

John 15:12

My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

## 1 Corinthians 13

<sup>4</sup> Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. <sup>5</sup> It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. <sup>6</sup> Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup> It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. <sup>8</sup> **Love never fails.**

**SHOW LOVE**



# Hear what God is telling you

Romans 10:17

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word (rhema word) of Christ.

Hebrews 11:6

And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.



## Mark 11

<sup>22</sup> “Have faith in God,” Jesus answered. <sup>23</sup> “Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, ‘Go, throw yourself into the sea,’ and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them. <sup>24</sup> Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. <sup>25</sup> And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive them, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins.”

# Hear from God and exercise your faith

Hebrews 12:2

looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter (pacesetter) of our faith

James 2

<sup>14</sup> What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? <sup>17</sup> ... faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

# Stop striving and let God lead

Psalm 46:10

<sup>10</sup> “Be still, and know that I am God.

# When you stop striving you can be humble

Zephaniah 2:3

<sup>3</sup> Seek the Lord, all you humble of the land, who do his just commands; seek righteousness; seek humility; perhaps you may be hidden on the day of the anger of the Lord.

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