

Bible Questions & Answers



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WHAT IS THE "ONE FAITH" IN EPHESIANS 4:5?

The "one faith" is the Law given by Christ. It is not one's personal faith. It is the Gospel of Christ, the New Testament. The text clearly says there is ONE FAITH, not many faiths! When one asks "what faith are you," they are not asking a Bible question! There is ONLY ONE! The "One Body" (church) is ruled by the "One Faith." If you do not belong to the "one faith" you are in the wrong faith.

The "one faith" is God's system of faith. Many passages speak of ONE law, Gospel, faith. Brethren were established in *the faith* and exhorted to continue in it [Acts 16:5; 14:22]. *The faith* can be turned away from so we are to examine ourselves whether we be IN *the faith* (1 Tim. 4:1; 5:8; 2 Cor. 13:5; Acts 13:8). We are to be established in *the faith*, fight the good fight of *faith*, keep *the faith* and contend for *the faith* (Col. 2:7; 1 Tim. 6:12; 2 Tim. 4:7; Jude 3). We must strive together for *the faith* of the Gospel and continue in it (Phil. 1:27; Col. 1:23).

The *one faith* is called: the doctrine of God and Christ (2 John 9; Titus 2:10), the Gospel of Christ and of the kingdom (Romans 1:1,16; Matthew 4:23), the truth (John 17:17; 8:32), the word of God and Christ (Acts 4:31; Colossians 3:16), the word of life, grace and truth (Philippians 2:16; Acts 20:32; 2 Cor. 6:7), the law of Christ (Galatians 6:2) and the perfect law of liberty (James 1:25).

The "one faith" produces the unity for which Jesus prayed (John 17:20-21). The traditions and doctrines of men produces division and stands condemned of God (Matthew 15:9). Let us remember, God is not the author of confusion (1 Corinthians 14:33). Prayer books, creeds, manuals, synods, councils, disciplines and catechisms turn people away from the "one faith." A curse of damnation rests upon any who preach and practice "another gospel" (Galatians 1:6-9).

There is ONE FAITH! It is *the faith* once for all delivered unto the saints (Jude 3). Is the "faith" you follow the *one faith* of the Bible? If not, you will not be saved. If you are a member of a group which wears a name not given the church by God, it is not the faith of the Bible! Investigate the **CHURCH OF CHRIST!** It is the ONE BODY ruled by the ONE FAITH!!

