

Cornerstones Of Faith – Practice Romans 7:14-8:8

Without Solid Cornerstones Properly Placed, the Foundation & the Structure built on it would be Unstable...Insecure...Unreliable...& Unsafe.

The **FIRST** “Cornerstone of Faith” is PRACTICE.

The **BIBLE** gives us FOUR PRINCIPLES that Believers ought to “Flesh Out” as we’re learning to “PRACTICE” OUR FAITH.

1. WE SHOW GOD IS AT WORK IN US.

• In Romans 7-8, Paul describes SIX KEYS to Show God is Working in our Hearts.

- 1.) ADMIT The Power Of Sin In Our Lives. (7:14)
- 2.) REALIZE We’re Powerless To Change On Our Own. (7:18)
- 3.) BECOME “Fed Up” and Cry Out For Help. (7:24)
- 4.) ACCEPT Your Freedom. (7:25)
- 5.) RECEIVE God’s Forgiveness & Lack Of Condemnation. (8:1-2)
- 6.) REMOVE Instinctive Actions Of Our Sinful Nature. (8:3-8)

2. WE FOCUS ON “LIVING OUT” OUR FAITH. (James 2:14-17)

- The WAY you live should REFLECT what you BELIEVE. (Luke 3:8)
- Outward Actions of Faith make it Easier to Share that Faith with OTHERS.
- Can people SEE Jesus in the WAY you LIVE?
- We may NOT LIVE our Faith PERFECT every time but we should Strive to PRACTICE our Faith every time.

3. WE REALIZE GOD SAVED US FOR A PURPOSE (Ephesians 2:10)

- As a Believer, you’re “God’s Masterpiece,” which means His Spirit is Alive & Working in YOUR life to Make you MORE like Jesus.
- PART of God’s Purpose for YOUR Life is...To DO Good Works by Helping Others.
- We must learn to TAKE HOLD of opportunities that GOD places in our path. (Matt 5:16)

4. WE MAKE OUR WALK MATCH OUR TALK (Matthew 7:21)

- “Calling” Him “Lord” is NOT Enough to get into Heaven.
- What Counts is a Salvation Experience that causes a changed person to Love & Live in obedience to God’s Will.

- The **MORE** we learn about what God has DONE for us, the **MORE** we should want to **know HOW** we can LIVE for Him.
- God is looking for GENUINE Believers willing to **“PRACTICE their Faith.”**