



## Discussion Questions:

1. Why are the questions in verse 14 critical to understanding the rest of the passage about the relationship between faith and works?
2. What reasons do the Scriptures give as to why a person is **not** justified by his or her works?
3. It is obvious that when Scripture uses the word believe, it is another way of saying faith. What are different ways we use the word “believe” and why can that lead people away from the Gospel?
4. Faith and works are inseparable. We are created in Christ Jesus to do good works. What does that mean and how does it show up in our lives?
5. Christmas is often a season known for people doing good things. What can you do this next month to demonstrate a good work that is driven by your faith? In what way(s) does your faith compel you to do this work?
6. What action are you going to take as a result of what God’s Word teaches?

## Next Steps:

1. If you would like to become a follower of Jesus, please let us know. Pastor Jon will be down front after the service and would love to connect.
2. If you are interested in baptism, let Pastor Jon know in person or email him at [pj@fbclowell.org](mailto:pj@fbclowell.org).
3. Read the Bible with us to know God and respond to Him! Below is our current schedule.

November 2023 (Two Year Reading Plan, Month 23)				
Week 1 Starting Oct 30 Nov 3	Week 2 Starting Nov 6	Week 3 Starting Nov 13	Week 4 Starting Nov 20	Week 5 Starting Nov 27
Day 1: 1 Cor 1-3	Day 1: 1 Cor 13-14	Day 1: 2 Cor 11-13	Day 1: Phil 1-4	Day 1: 1 Tim 1-3
Day 2: 1 Cor 4-6	Day 2: 1 Cor 15-16	Day 2: Gal 1-3	Day 2: Col 1-4, Philemon	Day 2: 1 Tim 4-6
Day 3: 1 Cor 7-8	Day 3: 2 Cor 1-3	Day 3: Gal 4-6	Day 3: 1 Thess 1-3	Day 3: 2 Tim 1-4
Day 4: 1 Cor 9-10	Day 4: 2 Cor 4-7	Day 4: Eph 1-3	Day 4: 1 Thess 4-5	Day 4: Titus 1-3
Day 5: 1 Cor 11-12	Day 5: 2 Cor 8-10	Day 5: Eph 4-6	Day 5: 2 Thess 1-3	Day 5: Heb 1-3
<small><sup>17</sup> But the wisdom that comes from heaven is <u>first of all</u> pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. <sup>18</sup> Peacemakers who sow in peace reap a harvest of righteousness.</small>				
<small>James 3:17,18 (NIV)</small>				

**What action are you going to take as a result of what God’s Word teaches?**