

QA: Why Trust My Faith When People Doubt It? by John T Polk II

All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.

QUESTION: Why should I trust my faith when many people doubt that faith?

ANSWER: Because so many around us seem to have confidence in what they believe, though the Bible teaches otherwise, we seem to question our faith from Scripture.

1. **Is Everyone Else Right?** David said:

"Help, LORD, for the godly man ceases! For the faithful disappear from among the sons of men. They speak idly everyone with his neighbor; With flattering lips and a double heart they speak." (Psalm 12:1-2)

In this day of "political correctness," right-words are shouted down and right-actions are condemned. Those who are thought to be "godly" and "faithful" may resort to idle speech and flattery "with his neighbor," hiding within his heart the knowledge of what's right and the fact he is wrong. This "double heart" is one of sin, guilt, and misery. Christians should pray:

Do not take me away with the wicked And with the workers of iniquity, Who speak peace to their neighbors, But evil is in their hearts. (Psalm 28:3)

Let the redeemed of the LORD say so. (Psalm 107:2)

2. **Listen To Hearts Speak.** Many people praise God and curse mankind with the same tongue.

With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God. Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so. (James 3:9-10)

It is only because God, not Evolution, created us that humans should be treated with a dignity above animals. People who say, "Pets are humans, too" have elevated animals to having the image of God, and that is idolatry!

[They have] exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. (Romans 1:25)

Because baptism washes away sins (Acts 22:16), it is not for animals!

3. **Are You Double-Minded?** Prayers from a doubting heart don't work.

For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways. (James 1:7-8)

We cannot pray to God and doubt Him at the same time!

Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. (1 John 5:14)

Jesus asked drowning Peter: "Why do you doubt?" We should doubt our doubts and believe our faith!

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