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RIGHTEOUSNESS THAT GOD OFFERS US.

It is the lie of religion and satan that righteousness can come from unrighteousness. The **RIGHTEOUSNESS** that God **REQUIRES** is the **RIGHTEOUSNESS** that He **OFFERS**.

Religion teaches that we can become righteous by changing, doing our best, ask forgiveness about sins, etc., etc., etc. Let us see what the Bible teaches:
*"For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.
And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.
Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works."* (2 Corinthians 11:13-15)

Satan through religion would have us to believe that we can do something to please God when the only thing that

pleases God is: **HIS SON!!**

The bible teaches that man is totally and completely corrupt and is without any redeeming value.

In spite of this, God loves us:

"But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8)

Notice the condition of man according to the word of God:

"But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away." (Isaiah 64:6)

"As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:" (Romans 3:10)

"for all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;" (Romans 3:23)

This is the condition that God finds us in. What we don't have and need is righteousness. What God offers us is His righteousness:

"For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him." (2 Corinthians 5:21)

"But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:

that, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord." (1 Corinthians 1:30,31)

This righteousness, received at the moment when a person receives Christ as his Saviour, not only secures us a position in the heavenlies but also serves to encourage us because we know we cannot fail "in Christ".

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