Biblical Faith and Fail-Safe Hope

True Biblical Faith

True biblical faith is confident hope and obedience to God's word in spite of circumstances and consequences.

Maintaining Biblical Hope

Fail-Safe Prayer: Psalms 62:5

My soul, wait in silence for God only, for my hope is from Him.

Soren Kierkegaard:

"The function of prayer is not to influence God, but rather to change the nature of the one who prays."

Maintaining Biblical Hope

Romans 12:1 — Spiritual Service of Worship:

Worship of God is presenting our body a living and holy sacrifice acceptable to God.

"God, your perfect will not mine."

"Worship is simply agreeing with God."

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Thinking God's Thoughts: Romans 12:2

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

Having our minds renewed requires continuous exposure to God's Word through hearing, reading, studying, memorizing and teaching.

2 Peter 1:4

For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, in order that by them you might become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust. NASB

<u> 1 Peter 1:4</u>

Notice, the Apostle Peter says God has given us precious and magnificent promises, so we can take on the divine nature, Christ likeness.

Romans 10:9-10 — freedom from hell plus eternal life <u>Divine Nature</u>

1 John 1:9 — freedom from unbiblical guilt <u>Divine Nature</u>

John 14:23 — freedom with love and intimacy with God Divine Nature

Matthew 6:33 — freedom from worry Divine Nature

2 Timothy 1:7 — freedom from destructive fear Divine Nature

<u>James 4:7</u>— freedom from destructive temptation <u>Divine Nature</u>

James 1:5 — freedom from stupidity
Divine Nature

- 1 Corinthians 10:13 freedom from fear of failure Divine Nature
- Philippians 4:6-7— freedom with peace Divine Nature
- 2 Corinthians 12:9 freedom with power Divine Nature

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Hebrew 13:8

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today, yes and forever.

Romans 15:13

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.