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LIFE'S INSPIRATION: "... But to him who does not work but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness..." (Romans 4:5, the Holy Bible).

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RIGHTEOUSNESS BEFORE GOD: Thank God in the name of Jesus. According to Romans 4:5 of the Bible, whoever does not place his trust in his work but believes and has faith on Jesus, our God and Savior, will not only be forgiven of his sins but will even be considered as righteous before God.

What this means is that, it is not because of what man does that salvation in the life eternal is given to him. It is not because of his works that he will be able to avoid the eternal fire and worms of hell. According to Ephesians 2:8-9, there is nothing that man can do to merit eternal life in the presence of God, so that he cannot boast before anyone, anytime.

That being the case, what can man do then to achieve salvation? How can he assure himself that he is going to have salvation with God in Paradise? There is only one way: man needs to become a Child of God, a Blood Kin of the Christ.

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ACCEPTANCE OF, AND FAITH IN, JESUS: Man has to accept and believe all his life in Jesus, as John 1:12 says, so he can be given the right to become a Child of God. If he accepts and believes in Jesus as God (John 10:30) and Savior (1 Timothy 1:15), he is saved by the blood of

Jesus (Ephesians 1:7), and is given the status of a Blood Kin of the Christ.

Jesus becomes one with the man who is given the right to become a Child of God, Blood Kin of the Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17). And because Jesus unites with the Child of God, Blood Kin of the Christ, that sinful man becomes a new creation.

His sin is forgiven and is no longer punished by God, he becomes holy, filled with the Holy Spirit, showing the fruits of being with the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22). This is so because that man becomes a part of the body of Jesus (Ephesians 5:30), and the blood of Jesus continues to cleanse him from sin (1 John 1:7).

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CHILD OF GOD, BLOOD KIN OF THE CHRIST: If a person does not become a Child of God and Blood Kin of the Christ, it is undeniable as it is clear that his eternal destiny would be the eternal hell of fire and worms (Revelation 21:8). As of now, there are still many out there who are not Children of God and Blood Kin of the Christ.

The truth is that, even those call themselves Children of God are still wanting in many respects, particularly in obeying His commands (1 John 2:4). Because of this, those who have proven true to their status as Children of God, Blood Kin of the Christ to bear more fruit, especially in terms of more souls being guided to salvation.

We can all do this, because as Children of God, Blood Kin of the Christ, we are given a unique and awesome power from God. Thank God in the name of Jesus.

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