

## Are you in the Faith?

2 Peter 1:10 Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call & election sure  
2 Corinthians 13:5 Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not know yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless indeed you are disqualified. (NIV, “unless you fail the test”)

- I would like to give you an objective list of things which comprise a good test
  - Not one of these things will save you, not all of them together can save you
  - They are not about your approach to the cross b/ your life after the cross
1. Do you love Christians preferring them to the company of the unsaved?
  2. Do you love the Word of God, feeling dry when neglected and washed and led when you regularly follow?
  3. Do you pray and worship God telling Him how much he means to you?
  4. Do you sacrifice for him and for the church and for the world? To see them saved
  5. Do you believe in the virgin birth, in the literal man Jesus and his return to the earth?
  6. Do you believe that He is God?
  7. Have you been baptized?
  8. Do you long for communion and wish we would do it more often?
  9. Do you ever hear His voice?
  10. Do you tell people about what he has done for you?
  11. Do you believe that the Bible is the Word of God and so treat it as more than the news paper or self-help manual?
  12. Does God answer your prayers?
  13. Do you get away with all sorts of sin or do you always seem to get caught?
  14. Do you live by faith? Or by sight?
  15. Is your life marked by good works?
  16. Do you tithe?
  17. Are you known as a loving person?
  18. Do you give to the poor?
  19. Are you involved in discipleship?
- **Not one of these things will save you, All of them together cannot save you!**
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  - Maybe one or two of them are not so apparent in your life:
    - OK, lets work on those.
    - But if Three or perhaps four of them are totally absent you are on shaky ground and living in a question mark. Are you really saved?

1 Timothy 6:12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.