

BACK TO THE BASICS OF FAITH

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God's Immutable Law of Cause and Effect

God's Immutable Law of Cause and Effect is one of the laws that is often overlooked in the Christian community. It sounds too scientific for some of us, and for others it seems a bit on the New Age side to be taken seriously. Well whether or not we take it seriously is of little consequence. This is God's law and it works with a mathematical precision. For every action—there is a corresponding reaction—that's the law! What you do comes back to you, and it will cycle back to you in greater abundance than your original action.

What this means is this, every action ignites something. Your entire being consists of energy that can be used to make something happen. You have the power to cause either a blessing or a curse to cycle back your way. We don't want to believe this of course, because not believing it absolves us of responsibility for our own actions. We can blame the circumstances and conditions we face on God instead of blaming our own failure to line up with the example of Jesus Christ.

To whom much is given, much is required. When God gave us His son, Jesus Christ, He gave us all that could be given; no more is needed. We have all we need to make the most of ourselves. Christ said in John 10:10, *"I am come that they might have life, and that they might have [it] more abundantly."* Through Christ, God has given us a whole bunch!!! He gave us so much because He expects a lot out of us.

Romans 12:1-2(The Message)

¹⁻² So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him. Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you.

Romans 12:1-2 tells us to take our everyday existence and place it before God as a living offering. What is an offering? It's a gift. An offering is a gift that we present to someone with the hope that they will put it to good use. The King James Version says that you are to *"present*

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your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God," He wants all of you, every ounce, and He wants you alive and thriving.

Folks who consider taking their own lives should read this verse of scripture in Romans 12 every moment of the day. God wants us to be a LIVING sacrifice—a LIVING gift to Him, because this is the most reasonable service we can render for all that He's given to us. There's nothing we can do to uplift His Kingdom once we're dead.

God requires that we give everything to Him while we yet live. To comprehend His logic for this request, you need only ponder the Law of Cause and Effect. For every action there is a corresponding reaction. Again, what you do comes back to you, and it will cycle back to you in greater abundance than your original action.

Jesus Christ came to make available life in abundance. When we give ourselves to others through the love of Christ, we will receive life back in abundance. When you give love out, you'll receive it back in abundance. When you tithe, you will receive blessings back in abundance. Do you see the handy work of God's Immutable Law of Cause and Effect? God has designed the universe to give back to you when you, yourself, become the "cause" of good things.

All of God's laws are ordained to work for our benefit when we live in alignment with them. This is why Romans 8:28 emphatically confirms that ALL things... ALL things... ALL things work together for good for those who love God and are called according to His purpose, because those who are called and walk in purpose understand how to live in harmony with God's Immutable Laws. It is only those of us called-out-ones who recognize God's Laws of Abundance, and place ourselves in harmony with them, who also share in their abundant benefits. We understand how to walk in the love of Christ. We also know beyond a shadow of doubt that by walking in his love, we will increase exponentially, in every way.

God's Laws operate exactly the way He intended them to; they allow us to live abundantly. They allow us to live and operate by faith, and we know that faith requires action. James 2:26(NKJV) says *"For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also."*

Faith is activated by works. We've got to DO something to put it in motion. And don't think that any ol' thing will set the wheels in motion—no! We must do the work of Christ—sharing the good news that HE saves—giving ourselves in service to others—loving God's way; this is his legacy.

It is the legacy we must continue.

Look at **Matthew 16:24-26(The Message):**

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24-26 Then Jesus went to work on his disciples. "Anyone who intends to come with me has to let me lead. You're not in the driver's seat; I am. Don't run from suffering; embrace it. Follow me and I'll show you how. Self-help is no help at all. Self-sacrifice is the way, my way, to finding yourself, your true self. What kind of deal is it to get everything you want but lose yourself? What could you ever trade your soul for?"

You and I are not in the driver's seat; Jesus Christ is. He knows where we need to be and when we need to be there. Our charge is to let go of the steering wheel. Through our blessed Savior, release your soul of all the attitudes and behaviors that do not represent God's goodness. Take upon yourself God's Will and intention for your life. Exhaust your energy doing those things that honor Him, and in turn He will reward you with blessings that are pressed down, and shaken together, and running over! That's the law!

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