

(BASICS | PHASE 2/DISCIPLINESHIP)

ARE YOU A COG OR FOG?

12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name John 1:12

14 You are My friends if you do whatever I command you. 15 No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you.

4 Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God James 4:4

47 Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me has everlasting life. Jn 6:47

POINTS OF OBSERVATION

1. Grace relates to salvation
2. Works relates to discipleship
3. What should drive discipleship is love for God not grace or works
4. Discipleship is hard
5. Not all COG(Children of God) are FOG (Friends of God)
6. To be a friend of God requires obedience.
7. To be a child of God requires faith/belief in christ
8. Faith must be understood in relation to salvation Phase 1 or Phase 2
9. Faith in Phase 1 is only used one time. Faith Phase 2 is used daily

**1 James, a bondservant of God and of the
Lord Jesus Christ,
To the twelve tribes which are scattered
abroad: James 1:1**

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1. Trials are for all believers without exception

2. Trials come unannounced and unexpected

3. Trials are going to be different as seen by the word *various*.

³ knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. James 1:3

There is a subtle sequence in chapter 1. For advancing to a FOG from a COG.

The idea of endurance, maturation, character building, scale of values
The reward of a Crown of life for a FOG.

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