THREE THINGS GOD IS LOOKING FOR

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1. FAITH

"Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, 'So shall your offspring be.' Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead."

Romans 4:18-19 (NIV)

Faith – Is producing: "Believed and so became."

Faith – Looks at the facts: Believes all things are possible with God

Faith – Looks to Jesus: No matter the circumstances.

When I look at myself I may feel despair.

When I look at the surroundings, I get confused.

When I look at Jesus I get changed.

2. UNITY

"Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all. Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity."

Colossians 3:9-14 (NIV)

We look UP to Jesus and we ask The Holy Spirit to come DOWN and change us.

Christianity is that we are saved in Jesus, find our identity in Jesus and we have unity in Jesus!!

3. HONESTY

"Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

John 14:6 (NIV)

"Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, 'If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.'"

John 8:31-32 (NKJV)

God is truth so He is never afraid of the truth!

God doesn't need our religious filters or masks – He needs honesty.

Honesty →Truth → Freedom