Evangelical Performance
False idea of self-generated righteous behavior.
“Do your best, God will do the rest”
“God helps those who help themselves”
Trying to “be like Jesus.
- imitate Jesus
- follow His example
- Christlikeness

Religion
Christian religion regarded as
- belief-system
- morality and ethics
- role-playing
- problem-solving
Commitment, dedication
Seeking to find “God’s will”
Pray more, read Bible more
Increased church involvement
“Serve the Lord”
“Good testimony”, witness

Fear, Insecurity, Paranoia
Never know if/when you’ve done enough!
Uncertainty, resignation
“I can’t help but sin; I’m only human
Doubts of salvation

Sin-consciousness
Guilt, shame, condemnation
Suppression, repression
Confessionalism
Hypocrisy

Response-ability
Christians are choosing creatures, responsible for behavioral choices of faith.
“Apart from Me, you can do nothing” - Jn. 15:5
“I can do all things through Christ” - Phil. 4:13

Faith
Faith is “our receptivity of His activity”
“As received Christ, so walk in Him” - Col. 2:6
“obedience of faith” - Rom. 1:5; 16:26
“faith without works is dead” - James 2:12-26

Imperative Commands
Imperatives are based on indicatives.
Jesus is the dynamic of His own demands.
“Work out your own salvation” - Phil. 2:12
“God is at work in you” - Phil. 2:12
“Abstain from every form of evil” - I Thess. 5:22
“He will bring it to pass” - I Thess. 5:24

“Love one another” - Jn. 13:34,35
“Love of God poured into our hearts” - Rom. 5:5
“Discipline yourself unto godliness” - I Tim. 4:7
“Everything pertaining to godliness” - II Pt. 1:3

Imperatives of faith
“Abide in Me” - Jn. 15:5 (settle in, stay put)
“Reckon yourselves” - Rom. 6:11 (count as fact)
“Present yourselves” - Rom. 12:1
“Submit yourselves to God” - James 4:7

Sinful Misrepresentation
“whatever is not of faith, is sin” - Rom. 14:23
“No trial/temptation overtaken you, but is common to man” - I Cor. 10:13
“If we say we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves, and truth in no us” - I Jn. 1:8
“Flesh sets its desire against Spirit” - Gal. 5:17
“If we sin, we have Advocate” - I Jn. 2:1

Grace Dynamic
Necessary to behave like who we have become.
“My grace is sufficient for you” - II Cor. 12:9
“God able to make all grace abound” - II Cor. 9:8

Trinitarian Action
God the Father
“God is at work in us” - Phil. 2:13
“He will bring it to pass” - I Thess. 5:24
“our adequacy is of God” - II Cor. 3:5
God the Son
“Christ lives in me” - Gal. 2:20
“saved by His life” - Rom. 5:10
“life of Jesus manifested in us” - II Cor. 4:10,11
God the Spirit
“filled with the Spirit” - Eph. 5:18
“live/walk by the Spirit” - Gal. 5:16,25

Character
“fruit of Spirit is love, joy, peace” - Gal. 5:22,23
“fruit of righteousness” - Eph. 5:9; Phil. 1:11
“bear much fruit” - Jn. 15:5; Col. 1:10
LOVE - “God is love” - I Jn. 4:8,16
“Everyone who loves is born of God” - I Jn. 4:7
Godliness - I Jn. 4:12; II Tim. 3:5
Holiness - II Tim. 1:9; Heb. 12:10; II Thess. 4:7

Ministry
Spiritual gifts - Rom. 12:6-8; I Cor. 12:1-31
“Ministry of the Spirit” - II Cor. 3:6,8
“Ministry of reconciliation” - II Cor. 4:18
“Christ through us” - Acts 15:12; Rom. 15:18,19
“the working of His power” - Eph. 3:7

Collective Union
“unity of the Spirit” - Phil. 1:27; 2:2; Eph. 4:3
“fellowship of sufferings” - Phil. 3:10; Col. 1:24

Deterministic Inevitability
Inevitable divine action
Mechanistic oneness that loses or repudiates personal relationalism.
“What I do is what He does.”
“All I do is Christ in action.”

Fatalistic Passivism
Denial of responsibility
Passive instrument of automatic divine action
Channel or conduit of God
“Just go with the flow”
“God doesn’t mean for man to have faith, but just to be the God-expresser that he is.”

Pride
Gnostic elitism
“Knowers, See-ers, with advanced God-consciousness.
“I do what I will, for what I will is what He wills.”
“Speak the ‘word of faith’ and call into being what is not”
“Faith is just speaking your word.”
Co-creators, co-gods

Perfectionism
“Christ can’t sin; Christ is the new man in me. I can’t sin.”
Sin is an “illusion”
Sin is nothing
Libertine antinomianism
Flaunt alleged liberty.
Disregard for holy behavior

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