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Have you ever checked your pulse? The Bible tells us that we need to check our spiritual pulse to see if we be in the Faith. It tells us in 2 Corinthians 13:5 Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates? It would be a terrible thing to wake up in hell and all along you thought everything was alright between you and God. There have been many husbands and wives that came home after work and found a note on the counter top that said [I'm leaving it is all over I don't love you any more I'm filing for divorce]. When you talk to the husband or wife that found the note about their marriage, all they can say is, I can't believe it; I thought everything was alright. One of the worst tragedies in our families life was when a cousin committed suicide. The whole family would say time and again, I can't believe this has happened they looked so happy. The spouse said they never showed any signs of discontent. You see, we must always examine our own selves to see if we be in the faith or not. Things are not always as they seem to be. Lets ask ourself a few questions from the Word of God. Am I jealous of others and those that get the upper hand on me? We need to read James 3: 13-18. Do I have to be noticed for a job well done. Colossians 3: 22-25 tells us what to do. When I go to the House of God am I going so I can be

entertained or do I bring to God that which cost me something? Do I bring a true heart of worship a pure heart of praise, is my spirit stirred within me to believe the Word of God? The story in 2 Samuel 24: 1-25 will help us to understand. Am I satisfied with Christ, does He fulfill all my desires? Please read Psalm 4:3-8. One more question. Do I serve God more for what is in His hand than for Who He is and what I can be for Him? The answer to these questions will go a long way to help us check our spiritual pulse and to see if we be in the Faith. Being religious and just going to church doesn't make me spiritually healthy. It is when I allow Christ to be Christ in me and through me to a lost and dying world. Many people that go to church are meaner than a junk yard dog and could care less about a lost world or their brother and sister in need. We should always check our attitude not only toward God but toward people and those around us to see if we be in the Faith. Our prayer and hope for you is that God would move in your life in such a way that those around would want what you have. Thank you for your faithfulness to this radio ministry as we continue to take the gospel through the air waves. (scriptures are printed for you on the back)

**In Christ,**

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**2 Corinthians 13:5** - Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

**James 3: 13-18** - 13) Who [is] a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom. 14) But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. 15) This wisdom descendeth not from above, but [is] earthly, sensual, devilish. 16) For where envying and strife [is], there [is] confusion and every evil work. 17) But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, [and] easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. 18) And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

**Colossians 3:22-25** - 22) Servants, obey in all things [your] masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God: 23) And whatsoever ye do, do [it] heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; 24) Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ. 25) But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and there is no respect of persons.

**2 Samuel 24:1-25** - 1) And again the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he moved David against them to say, Go, number Israel and Judah. 2) For the king said to Joab the captain of the host, which [was] with him, Go now through all the tribes of Israel, from Dan even to Beersheba, and number ye the people, that I may know the number of the people. 3) And Joab said unto the king, Now the LORD thy God add unto the people, how many soever they be, an hundredfold, and that the eyes of my lord the king may see [it]: but why doth my lord the king delight in this thing? 4) Notwithstanding the king's word prevailed against Joab, and against the captains of the host. And Joab and the captains of the host went out from the presence of the king, to number the people of Israel. 5) And they passed over Jordan, and pitched in Aroer, on the right side of the city that [lieth] in the midst of the river of Gad, and toward Jazer: 6) Then they came to Gilead, and to the land of Tahtimhodshi; and they came to Danjaan, and about to Zidon, 7) And came to the strong hold of Tyre, and to all the cities of the Hivites, and of the Canaanites: and they went out to the south of Judah, [even] to Beersheba. 8) So when they had gone through all the land, they came to Jerusalem at the end of nine months and twenty days. 9) And Joab gave up the sum of the number of the people unto the king: and there were in Israel eight hundred thousand valiant men that drew the sword; and the men of Judah [were] five hundred thousand men. 10) And David's heart smote him after that he had numbered the people. And David said unto the LORD, I have sinned greatly in that I have done: and now, I beseech thee, O LORD, take away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly. 11) For when David was up in the morning, the word of the LORD came unto the prophet Gad, David's seer, saying, 12) Go and say unto David, Thus saith the LORD, I offer thee three [things]; choose thee one of them, that I may [do it] unto thee. 13) So Gad came to David, and told him, and said unto him, Shall seven years of famine come unto thee in thy land? or wilt thou flee three months before thine enemies, while they pursue thee? or that there be three days' pestilence in thy land? now advise, and see what answer I shall return to him that sent me. 14) And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let us fall now into the hand of the LORD; for his mercies [are] great: and let me not fall into the hand of man. 15) So the LORD sent a pestilence upon Israel from the morning even to the time appointed: and there died of the people from Dan even to Beersheba seventy thousand men. 16) And when the angel stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, the LORD repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed the people, It is enough: stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD was by the threshingplace of Araunah the Jebusite. 17) And David spake unto the LORD when he saw the angel that smote the people, and said, Lo, I have sinned, and I have done wickedly: but these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, be against me, and against my father's house. 18) And Gad came that day to David, and said unto him, Go up, rear an altar unto the LORD in the threshingfloor of Araunah the Jebusite. 19) And David, according to the saying of Gad, went up as the LORD commanded. 20) And Araunah looked, and saw the king and his servants coming on toward him: and Araunah went out, and bowed himself before the king on his face upon the ground. 21) And Araunah said, Wherefore is my lord the king come to his servant? And David said, To buy the threshingfloor of thee, to build an altar unto the LORD, that the plague may be stayed from the people. 22) And Araunah said unto David, Let my lord the king take and offer up what [seemeth] good unto him: behold, [here be] oxen for burnt sacrifice, and threshing instruments and [other] instruments of the oxen for wood. 23) All these [things] did Araunah, [as] a king, give unto the king. And Araunah said unto the king, The LORD thy God accept thee. 24) And the king said unto Araunah, Nay; but I will surely buy [it] of thee at a price: neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the LORD my God of that which doth cost me nothing. So David bought the threshingfloor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver. 25) And David built there an altar unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings. So the LORD was intreated for the land, and the plague was stayed from Israel.

**Psalms 4:3-8** - 3) But know that the LORD hath set apart him that is godly for himself: the LORD will hear when I call unto him. 4) Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah. 5) Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the LORD. 6) [There be] many that say, Who will shew us [any] good? LORD, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us. 7) Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time [that] their corn and their wine increased. 8) I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only makest me dwell in safety.

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