Losing Your Religion, Finding Your Faith

"Going Through the Motions"

Acts 26.9-18 ***Part 1***

Acts 26:9 "I too was convinced that I ought to do all that was possible to oppose the name of Jesus of Nazareth.
Acts 26:10 And that is just what I did in Jerusalem. On the authority of the chief priests I put many of the saints in prison, and when they were put to death, I cast my vote against them.
Acts 26:11 Many a time I went from one synagogue to another to have them punished, and I tried to force them to blaspheme. In my obsession against them, I even went to foreign cities to persecute them.
Acts 26:12 "On one of these journeys I was going to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests.
Acts 26:13 About noon, O king, as I was on the road, I saw a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, blazing around me and my companions.
Acts 26:14 We all fell to the ground, and I heard a voice saying to me in Aramaic, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.'
Acts 26:15 "Then I asked, 'Who are you, Lord?' ""I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting,' the Lord replied.
Acts 26:16 "Now get up and stand on your feet. I have appeared to you to appoint you as a servant and as a witness of what you have seen of me and what I will show you.
Acts 26:17 I will rescue you from your own people and from the Gentiles. I am sending you to them
Acts 26:18 to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.'

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_____ of all real relationship with God.

If we confess our sins, he *(God)* is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness *(doing things that are wrong).* **~ 1 John 1:9**

My Notes: