

**Religious lies:**

*Because I am a Christian God will protect me from pain & suffering.*

*Problems are punishment for sins*

*A good Christian doesn't feel angry...anxious...depressed*

*God can't use me unless I'm spiritually strong*

## **The #1 Religious Lie**

**God's Love is DEPENDANT UPON MY BEHAVIOR**

**Results of "The Lie"**

Step #1: Christian **PERFECTIONIST**

Step #2: Christian **DEFEATIST**

Step #3: Christian **DEPRESSION**

Step #4: Christian **ABANDONMENT**

*"For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith." Romans 1:17 ESV*

*"...but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. *More than that*, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation." Romans 5:8-11 ESV*

## **The #1 Religious Truth**

**God's Love is dependant upon NOTHING I DO**

*"So then it depends not on human will or exertion, but on God, who has mercy."*

Romans 9:16 ESV

*"I pray that you and all God's holy people will have the power to understand the greatness of Christ's love – how wide and how long and how high and how deep that love is."*

Ephesians 3:18 NCV