

Living Faith

What is faith?

Ezekiel 36:24, 28-30, 33-35

24. "For I will take you from the nations, gather you from all the lands and bring you into your own land.

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28. "You will live in the land that I gave to your forefathers; so you will be My people, and I will be your God.

29. "Moreover, I will save you from all your uncleanness; and I will call for the grain and multiply it, and I will not bring a famine on you.

30. "I will multiply the fruit of the tree and the produce of the field, so that you will not receive again the disgrace of famine among the nations.

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33. 'Thus says the Lord GOD, "On the day that I cleanse you from all your iniquities, I will cause the cities to be inhabited, and the waste places will be rebuilt.

34. "The desolate land will be cultivated instead of being a desolation in the sight of everyone who passes by.

35. "They will say, 'This desolate land has become like the garden of Eden; and the waste, desolate and ruined cities are fortified *and* inhabited.'

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James 1:5-8

5. But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

6. But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind.

7. For that man ought not to expect that he will receive anything from the Lord,

8. *being* a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

Mark 11:24

Therefore I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, believe that you have received them, and they will be *granted* you.

1 John 5:14-15

14. This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.

15. And if we know that He hears us *in* whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him.

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6	<p><u>Acts 27:22-25</u></p> <p>22. "Yet now I urge you to keep up your courage, for there will be no loss of life among you, but <i>only</i> of the ship.</p> <p>23. "For this very night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve stood before me,</p> <p>24. saying, 'Do not be afraid, Paul; you must stand before Caesar; and behold, God has granted you all those who are sailing with you.'</p> <p>25. "Therefore, keep up your courage, men, for I believe God that it will turn out exactly as I have been told.</p>
7	<p><u>Romans 4:3</u></p> <p>For what does the Scripture say? "ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS CREDITED TO HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS."</p> <p><u>Genesis 15:4-6</u></p> <p>4. Then behold, the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "This man will not be your heir; but one who will come forth from your own body, he shall be your heir."</p> <p>5. And He took him outside and said, "Now look toward the heavens, and count the stars, if you are able to count them." And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be."</p> <p>6. Then he believed in the LORD; and He reckoned it to him as righteousness.</p> <p><u>Romans 4:19-21</u></p> <p>19. Without becoming weak in faith he contemplated his own body, now as good as dead since he was about a hundred years old, and the deadness of Sarah's womb;</p> <p>20. yet, with respect to the promise of God, he did not waver in unbelief but grew strong in faith, giving glory to God,</p> <p>21. and being fully assured that what God had promised, He was able also to perform.</p>
8	<p><u>Titus 1:2</u></p> <p>... in the hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, promised long ages ago,</p>
10	<p><u>2 Corinthians 5:6-7</u></p> <p>6. Therefore, being always of good courage, and knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord—</p> <p>7. for we walk by faith, not by sight—</p>

How does faith come?	
1	<p><u>Ephesians 2:8-9</u> 8. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, <i>it is</i> the gift of God; 9. not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.</p> <p><u>2 Peter 1:1</u> Simon Peter, a bond-servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who have received a faith of the same kind as ours, by the righteousness of our God and Savior, Jesus Christ:</p>
2	<p><u>Romans 10:17</u> So faith <i>comes</i> from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.</p> <p><u>Acts 4:4</u> But many of those who had heard the message believed; and the number of the men came to be about five thousand.</p> <p><u>Acts 16:31-32</u> 31. They said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." 32. And they spoke the word of the Lord to him together with all who were in his house.</p>
3	<p><u>2 Timothy 3:14-15</u> 14. You, however, continue in the things you have learned and become convinced of, knowing from whom you have learned <i>them</i>, 15. and that from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.</p> <p><u>James 1:21</u> Therefore, putting aside all filthiness and <i>all</i> that remains of wickedness, in humility receive the word implanted, which is able to save your souls.</p> <p><u>John 20:31</u> ... but these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.</p>
5	<p><u>Galatians 5:22</u> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,</p>

6	<p><u>Hebrews 12:2</u> ... fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.</p>
7	<p><u>Hebrews 12:2</u></p> <p><u>Matthew 14:30-31</u> 30. But seeing the wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, a) save me!" 31. Immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and took hold of him, and *said to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?"</p>
7	<p><u>Matthew 25:29</u> For to everyone who has, <i>more</i> shall be given, and he will have an abundance; but from the b) one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away.</p>
	<p><u>John 5:44</u> How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and you do not seek the c) glory that is from the <i>one and</i> only God?</p>