

## Page # 12a / What is faith?

Hebrews 11:1-13 (NLT) **What is faith? It is the confident assurance**

That **what** we **hope** for is **going** to **happen**.

**It is** the **evidence** of things we **cannot** yet see.

[2] **God gave his approval to people in days of old** because of their **faith**.

[3] By **faith** we **understand** that the **entire universe**

**Was formed at God's command,**

That what we **now** see **did not come from anything** that can be seen.

[4] It was by **faith** that Abel **brought** a more **acceptable** offering to **God**

**Than** Cain **did**.

**God accepted** Abel's **offering** to **show** that he **was** a **righteous** man.

And although Abel is long dead,

**He still speaks to us** because of his **faith**.

[5] It was by **faith** that Enoch was **taken up** to **Heaven without** dying—

"Suddenly he **disappeared** **because God took** him.

"But before he was taken up, he was **approved** as **pleasing** to **God**.

[6] So, you see, **it is impossible to please God** without faith.

Anyone who wants to come **to Him**

**Must believe** that there **is** a **God**

**And that He rewards** those who sincerely **seek him**.

[7] It was by **faith** that Noah **built** an ark to **save** his family **from** the flood.

He **obeyed God, who warned** him

About **something** that had **never** happened **before**.

**By his faith** he **condemned** the rest of the world

And was **made right** in **God's sight**.

[8] It was by **faith** that Abraham **obeyed** when **God called** him to **leave** home

And **go to** another land that **God would give** him **as** his **inheritance**.

**He went without knowing** where he was going.

[9] And even when he **reached** the land **God promised** him, he **lived** there by **faith**—

For he was **like** a **foreigner**, **living in a tent**.

**And so did Isaac** and Jacob, to whom **God gave the same promise**.

[10] Abraham **did this** because he was confidently **looking** forward to a **city**

With **eternal** foundations,

A **city designed and built by God**.

[11] It was by **faith** that Sarah together with Abraham **was able to have** a child,

Even though they **were too old** and Sarah was **barren**.

**Abraham believed** that **God would keep his promise**.

[12] And so a whole **nation came from** this one man, Abraham,

Who **was too old** to **have** any children— A **nation** with so many people

That, **like** the **stars of** the sky **and** the **sand on** the seashore,

There is **no way** to **count** them.

[13] All these **faithful** ones **died** **without** receiving **what God had promised** them,

But they **saw it** all from a distance and **welcomed the promises of God**.

They **agreed** that they **were no more than** foreigners

And nomads **here** on earth. (verses continued on page 12b)

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Hebrews 11:14-29 (NLT) (continuation from page 12a) **And obviously**

People who **talk like that**, are **looking forward** to a country  
They **can call** their **own**.

[15] If they had **meant** the **country** they came **from**,

**They would have found a way** to go back.

[16] But they were **looking** for a **better** place, a **Heavenly homeland**.

That is why **God is not ashamed to be called** their **God**,  
**For He has prepared** a **Heavenly** city for them.

[17] It was **by faith** that Abraham

**Offered** Isaac as a **sacrifice** when **God was testing him**.

Abraham, who **had received God's promises**,

Was **ready** to **sacrifice** his only son, Isaac,

[18] **Though God had promised** him, "**Isaac is the son**

**Through** whom your **descendants** will be **counted**."

[19] Abraham **assumed that if** Isaac **died**,

**God was able to bring** him **back to life** again.

And in a sense, Abraham did **receive** his son **back from the dead**.

[20] It **was** by **faith** that Isaac **blessed** his two sons, Jacob and Esau.

He had **confidence** in what **God was going to do** in the future.

[21] It was **by faith** that Jacob, when he **was old** and **dying**, **blessed**

Each of Joseph's sons **And bowed in worship** as he leaned on his staff.

[22] And it was **by faith** that Joseph, when he was **about to die**,

**Confidently spoke of God's bringing** the people of Israel **out** of Egypt.

He was **so sure** of **it** that he **commanded** them

To **carry** his **bones** with them **when they left**!

[23] It was **by faith** that Moses' parents **hid** him for three months. They **saw** that **God**

**Had given** them an unusual child,

And they **were not** afraid **of what the king might do**.

[24] It was **by faith** that Moses, **when** he grew up,

**Refused** to be **treated as** the son of Pharaoh's daughter.

[25] He **chose** to **share** the **oppression** of **God's** people

**Instead of** enjoying the fleeting **pleasures** of **sin**.

[26] **He thought it was better to suffer** for the sake **of the Messiah**

Than **to own** the **treasures** of Egypt,

For he was **looking** ahead to the great **reward** that **God would give** him.

[27] It was **by faith** that Moses **left** the land of Egypt.

He **was not** afraid of the king. Moses kept **right on going**

**Because he kept his eyes on the One who is invisible**.

[28] It was **by faith** that Moses **commanded** the people of Israel to **keep** the **Passover**

And to **sprinkle blood on** the doorposts

**So that the angel of death would not kill their firstborn sons**.

[29] It was **by faith** that the people of Israel **went** right **through** the **Red Sea**

As **though** they were **on dry ground**. But **when** the Egyptians **followed**,

**They were all drowned**. (verses continued on page 12c)

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Hebrews 11:30-39 (NLT) (continuation from page 12b) **It was by faith**

That the people of Israel marched **around** Jericho seven days,  
And the **walls** came **crashing** down.

[31] It was **by faith** that Rahab the **prostitute**

**Did not die with all the others** in her city who **refused** to obey **God**.  
For she had **given** a friendly **welcome** to the spies.

[32] Well, **how much** more **do I need** to say?

**It would take too long** to recount the stories of the **faith** of Gideon,  
Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David, Samuel, **and all** the prophets.  
**By faith** these people **overthrew** kingdoms,  
**Ruled** with **justice**, And **received what God had promised** them.  
They **shut** the mouths **of lions**,

[34] **Quenched** the flames of **fire**, And **escaped death** by the edge of the sword.

Their **weakness** was **turned to strength**.

They became **strong** in **battle** and **put** whole armies to **flight**.

[35] Women **received** their **loved** ones back again **from death**.

But others **trusted God** and were **tortured**,

**Preferring to die rather than turn from God** and be free.

They **placed** their **hope in the resurrection** to a **better** life.

[36] Some were **mocked**,

And their backs were **cut** open with **whips**.

Others were **chained** in **dungeons**.

[37] Some **died** by **stoning**, **and some were sawed in half**; Others were **killed**

With the **sword**. Some went about in **skins** of **sheep** and **goats**,

**Hungry** and **oppressed** and **mistreated**.

[38] **They were too good** for this world. They **wandered** over deserts **and** mountains,

**Hiding** in **caves** and holes in the ground.

[39] **All** of these people we have **mentioned** **received God's approval**

**Because of their faith**,

**Yet none** of them received **all that God had promised**.

James 2:21-24 (NLT) **Don't you remember that our ancestor Abraham**

**Was declared right** with **God** because of **what he did**

When he **offered** his son Isaac **on** the altar?

[22] You see, he was **trusting God** so much that **he was willing to do**

Whatever **God told** him to **do**.

His **faith** was made **complete** by **what he did**— By his **actions**.

[23] And so it happened **just as the Scriptures say**:

"Abraham **believed God, so God declared** him to **be righteous**."

He was even called "the **friend** of **God**."

[24] So you see, we are **made right with God** by **what we do**, not by faith **alone**.

James 2:14 (NLT) **Dear brothers and sisters, what's the use of saying you have faith**

**If you don't prove it by your actions** that kind of faith **can't** save anyone.

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Luke 12:28 (KJV) If then God so clothe the grass, which is today in the field,

And tomorrow is cast into the oven;

How much more will He clothe you, O you of little faith?

Genesis 22:11-12 (NLT) At that moment

The angel of the Lord shouted to him from Heaven,

"Abraham! Abraham!"

"Yes," he answered. "I'm listening."

[12] "Lay down the knife," the angel said. "Do not hurt the boy in any way,

For now I know that you truly fear God.

You have not withheld even your beloved son from Me."

Genesis 22:11-12 (KJV) And the angel of the Lord called unto him out of Heaven,

And said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, here am I.

[12] And he said, lay not your hand upon the lad,

And don't you do anything unto him:

For now I know that you fear God,

Seeing you have not with held your son, your only son from Me.

Acts 3:14-16 (NLT) You rejected this Holy, Righteous One

And instead demanded the release of a murderer.

[15] You killed the Author of life,

But God raised Him to life. And we are witnesses of this fact!

[16] "The name of Jesus has healed this man—

And you know how lame he was before.

Faith in Jesus' name has caused this healing before your very eyes.

Acts 3:14-16 (KJV) But you denied the Holy One and the Just,

And desired a murderer to be granted unto you;

[15] And killed the Prince of life,

Whom God has raised from the dead; Of this we are witnesses.

[16] And His name through faith in his name has made this man strong,

Whom you see and know:

Yes, the faith which is by Him has given him this perfect soundness

In the presence of you all.

Romans 1:16-17 (KJV) For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ:

For it is the power of God unto salvation

To every one that believes; To the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

[17] For in this is the Righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith:

As it is Written, the just shall live by faith.

James 2:20 (NLT) Fool! When will you ever learn

That faith that does not result in good deeds is useless?

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Romans 1:16-17 (NLT) For I am **not** ashamed of **this Good News about Christ.**

**It is the power of God at work, saving everyone who believes**

—Jews first and also Gentiles.

[17] **This Good News tells us how God makes us right in his sight.**

**This is accomplished from start to finish by faith.**

**As the Scriptures say,**

**"It is through faith that a righteous person has life."**

Luke 18:35-42 (KJV) And it came to pass, that as **He was come** close to Jericho,

A certain **blind** man sat by the way side **begging:**

[36] And **hearing** the multitude pass by, **he asked** what it meant.

[37] And they **told** him, that **Jesus of Nazareth passes** by.

[38] **And he cried, saying,**

**Jesus, you Son of David, have mercy on me.**

[39] And they which went before **rebuked** him, **that he should hold his peace:**

**But he cried so much the more,**

**You Son of David, have mercy on me.**

[40] **And Jesus stood, and commanded** him to be brought **unto him:**

And when he was **come** near, **He asked** him,

[41] **Saying, what will you that I shall do unto you?**

And he **said, Lord,** that I may receive my sight.

[42] **And Jesus said unto** him, **receive your sight: Your faith has saved you**

Luke 12:28 (NLT) And if **God cares so wonderfully** for flowers that are **here** today

And **gone** tomorrow,

Won't **He more surely care** for you? **You have so little faith!**

James 2:14 (KJV) **What does it profit, my brethren, though a man say he has faith,**

**And have not works? Can faith save him?**

Ephes. 4:13 (NLT) **Until we come to such unity**

**In our faith and knowledge of God's Son**

That we will **be mature** and full grown **in the Lord,**

**Measuring up to the Full Stature of Christ.**

James 2:20 (KJV) **But will you know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?**

Proverbs 24:10-12 (NLT) **If you fail under pressure, your strength is not very great.**

[11] **Rescue** those who are **unjustly sentenced to death;**

**Don't stand back and let them die.**

[12] **Don't try to avoid responsibility by saying you didn't know about it.**

**For God knows** all hearts, **and he sees** you.

**He keeps watch over** your soul, **and he knows** you knew!

And **He will judge** all people **according to what they have done.**

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Proverbs 20:6 (KJV) **Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness:**  
But a **faithful** man **who can find**?

Proverbs 20:6 (NLT) **Many will say they are loyal friends,**  
**But who can find one** who is really **faithful**?

Joshua 22:5 (KJV) **But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law,**  
Which Moses the **servant of the Lord charged** you,  
To **love the Lord** your **God,**  
**And to walk in all His ways,** and to **keep his commandments,**  
And to cleave **unto Him,**  
And to **serve Him with all your heart** and **with** all your soul.

Proverbs 24:10-12 (KJV) **If you faint in the day of adversity, your strength is small.**  
[11] If you **forbear** (to refrain from) to **deliver** them that are **drawn** unto **death,**  
And those **that are** ready to be **slain**;  
[12] **If you say,** behold, we knew **it not**;  
Does not **He that ponders** the heart **consider it**?  
**And He that keeps** your soul, doesn't **he know it**?  
And shall not **He render** to every man **according to his works**?

Mark 10:15 (KJV) **Truly I say unto you,**  
Whosoever shall **not receive the Kingdom of God as a little child,**  
He shall **not enter into the Kingdom.**

Mark 10:46-52 (NLT) **And so they reached Jericho. Later, as Jesus and his disciples**  
Left town, a great crowd was following.  
A **blind beggar** named Bartimaeus (son of Timaeus)  
**Was sitting beside the road as Jesus was going by.**

[47] When Bartimaeus **heard** that **Jesus from Nazareth** was nearby,  
He **began to shout** out,  
**"Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"**

[48] **"Be quiet!"** some **of** the people **yelled** at him.  
**But he only shouted louder, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"**

[49] **When Jesus heard** him, **he stopped**  
**And said,** "Tell him **to come** here."  
So they **called** the blind man. "Cheer up," they said.  
"Come on, **He's calling you!**"

[50] Bartimaeus threw aside his coat, **jumped up,** And came **to Jesus.**

[51] **"What** do you **want Me to do for** you?" **Jesus asked.**  
**"Teacher,"** the **blind** man said, **"I want to see!"**

[52] **And Jesus said to** him, **"Go your way.**  
**Your faith has healed you.**" and **instantly** the **blind** man **could see!**  
Then he **followed Jesus** down the road.

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Joshua 22:5 (NLT) **But be very careful to obey all the commands**

**And the law** that Moses **gave** to you.

**Love the Lord** your **God**,

**Walk** in **all His ways**, **obey his commands**, **be faithful to him**,

And **serve Him**

**With** all your heart **and** all your soul."

Mark 10:46-52 (KJV) **And they came to Jericho: And as He went out of Jericho**

**With His disciples** and a great number of people,

**Blind** Bartimaeus, the son of Timaeus, **sat by the highway side begging**.

[47] **And when** he heard that it was **Jesus of Nazareth**,

He **began to cry out**, and **say**, **Jesus, you Son of** David,

**Have mercy on me**.

[48] And many **charged** him that he should hold his peace:

But **he cried the more a great deal**, **You Son of** David,

Have **mercy** on me.

[49] **And Jesus stood still, and commanded** him to **be called**.

And they **call** the **blind** man,

Saying unto him, **be of good comfort, rise; He calls** you.

[50] And he, **casting away** his garment, **rose**, and came **to Jesus**.

[51] **And Jesus answered and said unto** him,

**What will you that I should do unto** you?

The **blind** man **said** unto him, **Lord**, that I **might receive** my **sight**.

[52] **And Jesus said unto** him, **go your way;**

**Your faith hath made you whole**.

And immediately he **received** his **sight**, And **followed Jesus** in the way.

Acts 26:13-18 (ESV) **At midday, O king, I saw on the way a Light from Heaven,**

**Brighter than the sun**, that **shone** around me

And those who journeyed with me.

<sup>14</sup> **And when we had all fallen** to the ground, I heard **a voice saying to** me

In the Hebrew language, 'Saul, Saul, **why** are you **persecuting Me?**

**It is hard** for you **to kick** against the **goads** (A pointed rod, used to herd cattle)

<sup>15</sup> And I said, **'Who are you, Lord?'** **And the Lord said,**

**'I am Jesus whom** you are **persecuting**.

<sup>16</sup> But rise and stand upon your feet, **for I have appeared to** you **for this purpose,**

**To appoint** you as a **servant**

And **witness** to **the things in which** you have **seen Me**

**And to those in which I will appear to** you,

<sup>17</sup> **Delivering** you **from** your people **and from** the Gentiles---**to whom I am sending** you

<sup>18</sup> **To open** their eyes, so that they **may turn** from darkness **to Light**

**And from** the power **of Satan to God,**

That they **may receive forgiveness** of sins

**And a place** among those **who are sanctified by faith in Me.'**

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Matthew 7:7-11(KJV) **Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and you shall find;**  
**Knock, and it shall be opened** unto you:

[8] **For every one that asks receives;**

And he that **seeks finds;**

And to him **that knocks it shall be opened.**

[9] Or what man is there of you, **whom if his son ask bread,** Will he **give** him a **stone?**

[10] Or if he **ask a fish,** will he **give** him a **serpent?**

[11] If you **then,** being **evil,** **know how** to **give good** gifts unto your children,

How much **more** shall your **Father which is in Heaven**

**Give good things** to them that **ask Him?**

2 Kings 5:13-14 (NLT) **But his officers tried to reason with him**

And said, "Sir, **if the prophet had told** you to do some **great thing,**  
**Wouldn't you have done it?**

So you **should** certainly **obey** him **when he says simply**

To **go** and **wash** and be **cured!**"

[14] So Naaman **went** down to the Jordan River **and dipped** himself **seven times,**

As the man **of God** had **instructed** him.

**And his flesh became as healthy** as a young **child's,**

And he was **healed!**

Hebrews 11:6 (ESV) **And without faith it is impossible to please Him,**

For whoever would **draw near** to **God**

**Must believe** that **He exists**

And that **He rewards** those who **seek him.**

2 Kings 5:13-14 (KJV) **And his servants came near, and spoke unto him,**

And said, My father, **if the prophet** had bid you **do some great thing,**  
Would you not have **done it?**

How much rather then, **when he says** to you, **wash,** and be **clean?**

[14] Then **went** he down, and **dipped** himself **seven** times in Jordan,

**According to the saying** of the man **of God:**

And his flesh **came again** like unto the flesh **of** a little **child,**

And he was **clean.**

Hebrews 11:6 (KJV) **But without faith it is impossible to please Him:**

For he that comes **to God**

**Must believe** that **He is,**

And that **He is a rewarder of** them **that diligently seek him.**

Hebrews 11:6 (NLT) **So, you see, it is impossible to please God without faith.**

Anyone who **wants** to come **to Him**

**Must believe** that there **is a God**

And that **He rewards** those **who sincerely seek him.**



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Genesis 22:1-13 (ESV) After these things God tested Abraham

And said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I."

<sup>2</sup> He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love,  
And go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering  
On one of the mountains of which I shall tell you."

<sup>3</sup> So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey,  
And took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac.  
And he cut the wood for the burnt offering  
And arose and went to the place of which God had told him.

<sup>4</sup> On the **third** day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the **place** from afar.

<sup>5</sup> Then Abraham said to his young men, "**Stay here** with the donkey;  
I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you."

<sup>6</sup> And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering  
And laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his **hand** the **fire**  
And the knife. So they went both of them **together**.

<sup>7</sup> And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son."  
He said, "**Behold**, the **fire** and the **wood**,  
But **where** is the **lamb** for a burnt offering?"

<sup>8</sup> Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the **lamb** for a burnt offering,  
My son." So they went both of them **together**.

<sup>9</sup> When they came to the place of which God had told him,  
Abraham built the **altar** there and laid the wood in order  
And bound Isaac his son  
And laid him on the altar, on top of the wood.

<sup>10</sup> Then Abraham reached out his hand  
And took the **knife** to **slaughter** his son.

<sup>11</sup> **But** the angel of the Lord called to him **from Heaven**  
And said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I."

<sup>12</sup> He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy  
Or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God,  
Seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me."

<sup>13</sup> And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked,  
And behold, **behind** him was a **ram**, **caught** in a thicket by his horns.  
And Abraham went and took the ram  
And offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son.

Hebrews 11:1-3 (ESV) Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for,  
The conviction of things **not seen**.

<sup>2</sup> For by it the people of old received their commendation.

<sup>3</sup> By faith we understand that the **universe** was created by the word of God,  
So that what is seen was not made **out** of things that are visible.

Proverbs 20:6 (ESV) Many a man proclaims his own steadfast love,  
But a faithful man who can find?

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Hebrews 11:4-8 (ESV) **By faith Abel offered to God**

**A more acceptable** sacrifice **than** Cain,  
**Through** which he was **commended** as **righteous**,  
**God commending** him **by accepting** his **gifts**.  
**And through his faith**, though he **died**, he still **speaks**.

<sup>5</sup> By **faith** Enoch was **taken** up so that he should **not** see **death**, and he was **not** found,  
**Because God had taken** him.

Now **before** he was **taken** he was **commended** as **having pleased God**.

<sup>6</sup> And **without** faith it is **impossible** to please **Him**,

For whoever would **draw near to God** **must believe that he exists**  
**And that He rewards** those who **seek him**.

<sup>7</sup> By **faith** Noah, **being warned by God** concerning events as yet **unseen**,

In reverent **fear** (worshipful) **constructed** an **ark**  
**For the saving** of his household. **By this he condemned** the world  
And became an **heir** of the **righteousness** that **comes** by **faith**.

<sup>8</sup> **By faith Abraham obeyed** when he was **called** to go out to a **place**

That he **was** to **receive** as an **inheritance**.  
And he **went out**, not knowing **where he was going**.

Matthew 7: 7-11 (ESV) **"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find;**

**Knock, and it will be opened** to you.

<sup>8</sup> **For everyone who asks receives**, and the one who **seeks finds**,

And to the one who **knocks** **it will be opened**.

<sup>9</sup> Or which one of you, **if his son asks** him **for bread**, will give him a **stone**?

<sup>10</sup> Or **if he asks** for a **fish**, will give him a **serpent**?

<sup>11</sup> If you **then**, who **are evil**, **know how to give** good **gifts** to your children,

How much more **will** your **Father who is in Heaven**  
**Give good things** to those who **ask Him!**

James 2:14 -20 (ESV) **What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith**

**But does not have works**? Can **that** faith save him?

<sup>15</sup> If a brother or sister is **poorly clothed** and **lacking** in daily food,

<sup>16</sup> And **one of you says** to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled,"

**Without giving** them the things **needed** for the body, **what good is that**?

<sup>17</sup> So also **faith** by **itself**, **if it does not have works**, is **dead**.

<sup>18</sup> But someone will **say**, "You **have faith** and I **have works**."

**Show me your faith apart** from your **works**,

And I will **show** you my **faith** by my **works**.

<sup>19</sup> You **believe** that **God is One**; you do **well**. **Even the demons believe**---and **shudder!**

<sup>20</sup> Do you **want** to be shown, you **foolish** person,

That **faith apart** from works is **useless**?

Psalms 116:6 (NLT) **The Lord protects** those **of childlike faith**;

I **was** facing **death**, **and then He saved** me.

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Deut. 32:51 (NLT) For **both of you broke faith with Me** among the Israelites  
At the waters of Meribah at Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin.  
**You failed to demonstrate My holiness** to the people of Israel there.

Psalms 81:7 (NLT) You cried to **Me** in trouble, **and I saved you;**  
**I answered out of the thundercloud. I tested your faith** at Meribah,  
**When you complained** that there was no water.

James 5:13-20 (ESV) Is anyone among you **suffering?** Let him **pray.**

Is anyone **cheerful?** Let him **sing praise.**

<sup>14</sup> Is anyone among you **sick?** Let him **call for the elders of the church, And let them**  
**Pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.**

<sup>15</sup> And the **prayer of faith will save the one who is sick,**  
**And the Lord will raise him up.**

And **if** he has **committed sins,** he will be **forgiven.**

<sup>16</sup> Therefore, **confess your sins** to one another and **pray for one another,**  
That you **may be healed.**

The **prayer** of a **righteous** person has **great power as it is working.**

<sup>17</sup> Elijah was a man **with a nature** like ours,

And he **prayed** fervently that it **might not rain,**

And for three years and six months **it did not rain on the earth.**

<sup>18</sup> Then he **prayed** again, and Heaven **gave rain,** and the earth **bore its fruit.**

<sup>19</sup> My brothers, if anyone among you **wanders** from **the Truth**

And someone **brings him back,**

<sup>20</sup> Let him know that whoever **brings back** a sinner from his **wandering**  
**Will save his soul from death and will cover** a multitude of sins.

1 Peter 1:3-9 (ESV) **Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!**

**According to His great mercy,**

**He has caused** us to be **born again** to a **living hope**

**Through the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,**

<sup>4</sup> To an **inheritance** that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading,

Kept in **Heaven** for you,

<sup>5</sup> Who **by God's power are being guarded through faith**

For a **salvation** ready to be revealed in the last time.

<sup>6</sup> **In this you rejoice,** though now for a little while, if necessary,

You have **been grieved** by various **trials,**

<sup>7</sup> So that the **tested genuineness of your faith**---more precious than gold that perishes

Though it is **tested by fire**---may be found to result in **praise**

And **glory** and **honor** at the **revelation** of **Jesus Christ.**

<sup>8</sup> Though you **have not seen Him,** you **love him.**

Though you **do not** now see **Him,** you **believe** in **him**

And **rejoice** with **joy** that is inexpressible and **filled** with **glory,**

<sup>9</sup> **Obtaining the outcome of your faith,** the **salvation** of your souls.

## Page # 121 / What is faith?

Romans 1:16-17 (ESV) For **I am not ashamed of the Gospel,**

**For it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes,**  
To the Jew first and also to the Greek.

<sup>17</sup> **For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith,**  
**As it is Written, "The righteous shall live by faith."**

1 Thessalonians 3:2-5 (ESV) And we sent Timothy, our brother and **God's coworker**  
In **the gospel of Christ,** to establish

And **exhort** (to urge strongly, give advice and or warning) **you in your faith,**

<sup>3</sup> **That no one be moved by these afflictions.**

For you yourselves know that **we are destined for this.**

<sup>4</sup> For **when** we were **with** you, we kept **telling** you **beforehand**

That **we were to suffer affliction,**

Just as **it** has **come** to **pass,** and just as you know.

<sup>5</sup> For this reason, when I could **bear** it **no longer,** **I sent to learn** about your **faith,**  
For **fear** that **somehow** the **tempter** had **tempted** you  
And our **labor** would **be** in **vain.**

2 Thessalonians 3:1-3 (ESV) Finally, **brothers, pray** for us,

That **the word of the Lord** may **speed ahead** and be **honored,**

As **happened** among you,

<sup>2</sup> And that we **may be delivered** from **wicked** and **evil** men. **For not all have faith.**

<sup>3</sup> **But the Lord is faithful. He will establish** you **and guard** you **against** the **evil** one.

Mark 5:24-34 (ESV) **And He went with him. And a great crowd followed him**

And thronged about **Him.**

<sup>25</sup> And there was a woman who **had had** a **discharge** of **blood** for **twelve** years,

<sup>26</sup> And who **had suffered** much **under** many physicians, **and had spent** all that she **had,**  
And **was** no better but rather **grew worse.**

<sup>27</sup> She had **heard** the **reports** about **Jesus** and **came up behind him** in the crowd  
**And touched His garment.**

<sup>28</sup> For she **said,** "If I **touch** even **His garments,** I will be made well."

<sup>29</sup> And **immediately** the **flow** of blood **dried up,**

And she **felt** in her **body** that she **was healed** of her disease.

<sup>30</sup> **And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him,**  
**Immediately turned about** in the crowd **and said,**  
"Who touched **My garments?**"

<sup>31</sup> **And His** disciples said to **him,** "**You see** the crowd **pressing** around **you,**  
And yet **You say,** 'Who touched **me?**'"

<sup>32</sup> **And He looked around to see** who had **done it.**

<sup>33</sup> But the woman, **knowing** what **had happened** to her, **came** in **fear** and **trembling**  
And **fell down** **before Him** and **told him** the whole **truth.**

<sup>34</sup> **And He said to** her, "Daughter, **your faith has made you well;** go in **peace,**  
And **be healed** of your disease."

## Page # 12m / What is faith?

Romans 3:9-31 (ESV) What then? Are we Jews any better off? **No, not at all.**

For we have already **charged** that all, **Both** Jews

And Greeks, **are under sin,**

<sup>10</sup> **As it is Written:** "**None** is **righteous**, no, **not** one;

<sup>11</sup> **No** one **understands**; **no** one **seeks** for **God**.

<sup>12</sup> All have **turned aside**; together they have **become worthless**;

**No one** does good, **not** even one."

<sup>13</sup> "Their **throat is** an **open grave**; they **use** their tongues to **deceive**."

"The **venom** of **asps** (small African cobra snake) is **under** their lips."

<sup>14</sup> "Their **mouth** is **full** of **curses** and **bitterness**."

<sup>15</sup> "Their **feet** are **swift** to **shed blood**;

<sup>16</sup> In their **paths** are **ruin** and **misery**,

<sup>17</sup> And the **way** of **peace** they have **not** known."

<sup>18</sup> "**There is no** fear of **God** before their eyes."

<sup>19</sup> Now we **know** that **whatever the law says it speaks** to those **who are under the law**,

**So that every mouth may be stopped**,

And the whole **world may be held accountable** to **God**.

<sup>20</sup> **For by works** of **the law** **No** human being **will be** justified in **His sight**,

Since **through the law** comes **knowledge** of **sin**.

<sup>21</sup> But **now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart** from **the law**,

Although **the Law** and the **Prophets** bear **witness** to **it---**

<sup>22</sup> **The righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ**

For **all** who **believe**.

For there is **no** distinction:

<sup>23</sup> For **all** have **sinned** and **fall short** of the **glory of God**,

<sup>24</sup> And are **justified by His grace** as a **gift**,

Through the **redemption** that is **in Christ Jesus**,

<sup>25</sup> **Whom God put forward as a Propitiation** (to regain the favor or goodwill of)

**By His blood**, to be **received by faith**. **This was** (*Jesus on the cross*) **to show**

**God's righteousness**,

Because **in His divine forbearance** (refraining from the enforcement of a debt.)

**He had passed over** former sins.

<sup>26</sup> **It was to show His righteousness** at the **present** time, so that **he might be Just**

**And the Justifier of** the one who **has faith** in **Jesus**.

<sup>27</sup> Then what **becomes of** our **boasting**? It is **excluded**.

By **what** kind of law?

**By a law** of works? **No**, but **by the law of faith**.

<sup>28</sup> For we hold that **one is justified by faith** apart from works of **the law**.

<sup>29</sup> Or is **God the God** of Jews **only**?

Is **He** not **the God of** Gentiles also? **Yes**, of Gentiles **also**,

<sup>30</sup> **Since God is One---who will justify** the circumcised **by faith**

And the uncircumcised **through faith**.

<sup>31</sup> Do we then **overthrow the law** by this **faith**?

By **no** means! On the **contrary**, we **uphold the law**.

## Page # 12n / What is faith?

Colossians 1:15-23 (ESV) He is the image of the invisible God,

The firstborn of all creation.

<sup>16</sup> For by Him all things were created, in Heaven and on earth, **visible** and **invisible**,  
**Whether** thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities---

All things were created through Him and for him.

<sup>17</sup> And He is before all things,

And in Him all things hold together.

<sup>18</sup> And He is the head of the **body**, the **church**. He is the beginning,

The Firstborn from the dead, that in everything

He might be preeminent.

<sup>19</sup> For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,

<sup>20</sup> And through Him to reconcile to Himself all things,

Whether on earth or in Heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

<sup>21</sup> And you, who **once** were **alienated** and **hostile** in mind,

Doing evil deeds,

<sup>22</sup> He has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order

To **present** you **holy** and **blameless** and **above** reproach before Him,

<sup>23</sup> If indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast,

**Not** shifting from the **hope** of the Gospel that you **heard**,

Which has been **proclaimed** in **all creation** under Heaven,

And of which I, Paul, became a minister.

James 2:14-26 (ESV) What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith

But does not have works? Can that faith save him?

<sup>15</sup> If a brother or sister is **poorly clothed** and **lacking** in daily food,

<sup>16</sup> And **one of** you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled,"

Without giving them the things **needed** for the body, what good is that?

<sup>17</sup> So also **faith** by itself, if it does not have works, is **dead**.

<sup>18</sup> But someone will say, "You **have faith** and I **have works**." Show me your **faith**

Apart from your **works**,

And I will show you my **faith** by my **works**.

<sup>19</sup> You **believe** that God is One; you **do well**. Even the demons believe---and shudder!

<sup>20</sup> Do you **want** to be **shown**, you **foolish** person, that **faith apart** from works is **useless**?

<sup>21</sup> Was not Abraham our father **justified** by **works**

When he **offered** up his son Isaac **on** the altar?

<sup>22</sup> You see that **faith** was **active** along with his works, and **faith** was **completed**

By his works;

<sup>23</sup> And the Scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God,

And it was counted to him as righteousness"---

And he was **called** a **friend** of God.

<sup>24</sup> You see that a person is **justified** by **works** and **not** by **faith alone**.

<sup>25</sup> And **in the same way** was not also Rahab the prostitute **justified by works**

When she **received** the messengers and **sent** them **out** by another way?

<sup>26</sup> For as the body **apart** from the **spirit** is **dead**, so also **faith apart** from **works** is **dead**.

## Page # 12o / What is faith?

Romans 4:1-18 (ESV) What then shall we say was gained

By Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh?

<sup>2</sup> For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, But not before God.

<sup>3</sup> For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, And it was counted to him as righteousness."

<sup>4</sup> Now to the one who works, His wages are not counted as a gift but as his due.

<sup>5</sup> And to the one who does not work But believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, His faith is counted as righteousness,

<sup>6</sup> Just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one To whom God counts righteousness apart from works:

<sup>7</sup> "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered;

<sup>8</sup> Blessed is the man against whom The Lord will not count his sin."

<sup>9</sup> Is this blessing then only for the circumcised, or also for the uncircumcised? We say that faith was counted to Abraham as righteousness.

<sup>10</sup> How then was it counted to him? Was it before or after he had been circumcised? It was not after, but before he was circumcised.

<sup>11</sup> He received the sign of circumcision as a seal of the righteousness that he had By faith while he was still uncircumcised. The purpose was to make him the father of all who believe Without being circumcised,

<sup>12</sup> And to make him the father of the circumcised who are not merely circumcised But who also walk in the footsteps of the faith That our father Abraham had before he was circumcised.

<sup>13</sup> For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world Did not come through the law But through the righteousness of faith.

<sup>14</sup> For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, Faith is null and the promise is void.

<sup>15</sup> For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

<sup>16</sup> That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace And be guaranteed to all his offspring---

Not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one Who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup> As it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"---

In the presence of the God in whom he believed, Who gives life to the dead And calls into existence the things that do not exist.

<sup>18</sup> In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, As he had been told, "So shall your offspring be." (Continued on page 12p)

## Page # 12p / What is faith?

Romans 4:19-25 (ESV) (Continuation from page 12o) **He did not weaken in faith**

When he considered his own body,

Which **was as good as dead** (since he was **about a hundred** years old),

**Or when he considered the barrenness** of Sarah's womb.

<sup>20</sup> **No distrust made him waver** concerning the promise of God,

But he **grew strong** in his faith as he **gave glory** to God,

<sup>21</sup> Fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.

<sup>22</sup> That is why his faith was "**counted to him** as righteousness."

<sup>23</sup> But the words "it was counted to him" **were not written** for his sake alone,

<sup>24</sup> But **for** ours also. **It will be counted** to us who **believe in Him**

Who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord,

<sup>25</sup> Who was delivered up for our trespasses **and raised for** our **justification**.

Deuteronomy 32:48-52 (ESV) That very day the Lord spoke to Moses,

<sup>49</sup> "Go up this **mountain** of the Abarim, Mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab,

Opposite Jericho, **and view the land of** Canaan,

Which **I am giving** to the people of Israel for a **possession**.

<sup>50</sup> And **die on the mountain** which you **go up**, and be gathered to your people,

As Aaron your brother died in Mount Hor and was gathered to his people,

<sup>51</sup> **Because you broke faith with Me** in the **midst** of the people of Israel

At the waters of Meribah-kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin,

And **because you did not treat Me as Holy**

**In the midst** of the people of Israel.

<sup>52</sup> For you shall **see the land before you, but you shall not go there, into the land**

That **I am giving** to the people of Israel."

Galatians 2:15-21 (ESV) **We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners;**

<sup>16</sup> Yet we **know** that a person **is not justified by works** of the law

But **through faith** in Jesus Christ,

So we also have **believed** in Christ Jesus,

In order to be **justified** by faith in Christ and **not by works** of the law,

**Because by works of the law no one will be** justified.

<sup>17</sup> But **if**, in our **endeavor** (effort) to be justified in Christ,

We too **were found to be** sinners,

Is Christ then a **servant** of sin? **Certainly not!**

<sup>18</sup> For **if I rebuild** what I **tore down**, I **prove myself to be a transgressor**.

<sup>19</sup> For **through the law I died to the law**,

So that I **might live to God**.

<sup>20</sup> **I have been crucified with Christ**. It is **no longer** I who live,

But Christ who lives in me.

And the **life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God**,

Who loved me and gave himself for me.

<sup>21</sup> **I do not nullify the grace of God**, for **if** righteousness **were** through the law,

Then Christ died for **no purpose**.



## Page # 12q / What is faith?

Romans 10:5-17 (ESV) For Moses writes about the righteousness

That is based on the law,

That the person who **does** the commandments shall live by them.

<sup>6</sup> But the righteousness **based on faith** says, "Do **not** say in your heart,

"Who will **ascend** into Heaven?" (that is, *to bring Christ down*)

<sup>7</sup> Or "Who will **descend** into the abyss?"

(That is, *to bring Christ up from the dead*).

<sup>8</sup> **But what does it say?** "The word is near you, **in** your mouth and **in** your heart"

(That is, the word of faith that we **proclaim**);

<sup>9</sup> **Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord**

And **believe in** your heart that **God raised Him from the dead**,

You **will be saved**.

<sup>10</sup> For **with** the heart one **believes** and is **justified**,

And **with** the **mouth** one **confesses** and is **saved**.

<sup>11</sup> **For the Scripture says**, "Everyone who **believes** in Him **will not be put to shame**."

<sup>12</sup> For there is **no distinction** between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all,

Bestowing His riches on all who call on him.

<sup>13</sup> For "everyone who **calls on the name of the Lord** will be **saved**."

<sup>14</sup> **How then** will they **call on Him in whom** they have **not** believed?

And **how** are they to **believe in Him of whom** they have **never** heard?

And **how** are they to **hear without someone preaching?**

<sup>15</sup> And **how** are they to **preach unless they are sent? As it is Written**,

"How **beautiful** are the feet **of those who preach the Good News!**"

<sup>16</sup> But they have **not** all **obeyed the Gospel**. For Isaiah says,

"**Lord**, who has **believed** what he has **heard from us?**"

<sup>17</sup> **So faith comes from hearing**, and hearing through the word of Christ.

Romans 1:8-12 (ESV) First, **I thank my God through Jesus Christ** for all of you,

Because your **faith** is proclaimed in all the world.

<sup>9</sup> **For God is** my **witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of His Son**,

That without ceasing I mention you

<sup>10</sup> **Always** in my **prayers, asking** that somehow **by God's will**

I **may now at last** succeed **in coming to you**.

<sup>11</sup> For I **long** to **see you**, that I **may impart** to you some **spiritual gift** to strengthen you---

<sup>12</sup> That is, that we may be mutually **encouraged**

**By each other's faith, both yours and mine**.

Luke 22:31-34 (ESV) "**Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you**,

That **he** might **sift** you like wheat,

<sup>32</sup> **But I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail**.

And **when you have turned again, strengthen** your brothers."

<sup>33</sup> Peter said to **Him**, "**Lord**, I am ready to go with **you both to prison and to death**."

<sup>34</sup> **Jesus said, "I tell you, Peter, the rooster will not crow this day,**

**Until you deny three times that you know Me."**

## Page # 12r / What is faith?

Hebrews 6:1-20 (ESV) Therefore let us leave the elementary Doctrine of Christ

And go on to maturity,

Not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works

And of faith toward God,

<sup>2</sup> And of instruction about washings, the laying on of hands,

The resurrection of the dead, And eternal judgment.

<sup>3</sup> And this we will do if God permits.

<sup>4</sup> For it is impossible, in the case of those who have once been enlightened,

Who have tasted the Heavenly gift, and have shared in the Holy Spirit,

<sup>5</sup> And have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the age to come,

<sup>6</sup> And then have fallen away, to restore them again to repentance,

Since they are crucifying once again the Son of God to their own harm

And holding Him up to contempt.

<sup>7</sup> For land that has drunk the rain that often falls on it, and produces a crop

Useful to those for whose sake it is cultivated,

Receives a blessing from God.

<sup>8</sup> But if it bears thorns and thistles, it is worthless and near to being cursed,

And its end is to be burned.

<sup>9</sup> Though we speak in this way, yet in your case, beloved,

We feel sure of better things— Things that belong to salvation.

<sup>10</sup> For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love

That you have shown for His name in serving the saints, as you still do.

<sup>11</sup> And we desire each one of you to show

The same earnestness to have the full assurance of hope until the end,

<sup>12</sup> So that you may not be sluggish, But imitators of those

Who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

<sup>13</sup> For when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater

By whom to swear, He swore by himself,

<sup>14</sup> Saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you."

<sup>15</sup> And thus Abraham, having patiently waited, obtained the promise.

<sup>16</sup> For people swear by something greater than themselves,

And in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation.

<sup>17</sup> So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise

The unchangeable character of His purpose,

He guaranteed it with an oath,

<sup>18</sup> So that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we

Who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement

To hold fast to the hope set before us.

<sup>19</sup> We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, A hope that enters into the

Inner place behind the curtain (Area for High priest, once a year, to meet God),

<sup>20</sup> Where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf,

Having become a High Priest Forever after the order of Melchizedek

(human priest with no record of birth or death,

Thought to be the example of; the Son of God before Jesus came in the flesh).

## Page # 12s / What is faith?

2 Corinthians 4:13-18 (ESV) **Since we have** the same spirit of **faith**  
According to **what has been Written**, "**I believed, and so I spoke,**"

We also **believe**, and so we also **speak**,

<sup>14</sup> **Knowing** that **He who raised the Lord Jesus** will **raise** us also **with Jesus**  
**And bring** us with you **into His presence**.

<sup>15</sup> For **it is** all for your sake, so that as **grace extends** to more and **more** people

**It may increase** thanksgiving, **to** the **glory** of **God**.

<sup>16</sup> **So we do not lose heart**. Though our outer self is **wasting** away,  
Our **inner** self is **being renewed** day by day.

<sup>17</sup> For this **light momentary affliction** is **preparing** for us an **eternal** weight of **glory**  
**Beyond all comparison**,

<sup>18</sup> As we look **not** to the things **that are seen** but **to the things that are unseen**.

For the **things that are seen** are **transient**,

But the **things that are unseen** are **eternal**.

Galatians 3:10-14 (ESV) For all **who rely on works** of **the law** are **under a curse**;

**For it is Written**, "**Cursed be** everyone who **does not** abide by

**All things Written in the Book of the Law**, and **do** them."

<sup>11</sup> Now it is **evident** that **no one** is justified before **God** by **the law**,

For "The **righteous** shall **live** by **faith**."

<sup>12</sup> But **the law** is **not** of **faith**, rather "The one who **does** **them** shall **live** by **them**."

<sup>13</sup> **Christ redeemed** us from **the curse of the law**

**By becoming a curse** for us---

**For it is Written**, "**Cursed is** everyone who **is hanged** on a tree"---

<sup>14</sup> So that **in Christ Jesus** the **blessing** of Abraham might **come to the Gentiles**,

**So that we might receive the promised Spirit** through **faith**.

Revelation 14:9-13 (ESV) **And another angel, a third, followed them,**

**Saying** with a loud voice,

"**If anyone worships** the **beast** and its **image**

**And receives a mark on** his forehead **or on** his hand,

<sup>10</sup> He also will **drink** the wine of **God's wrath, poured full strength**

**Into the cup of His anger**,

And he will be **tormented** with **fire** and **sulfur**

**In the presence** of the **holy** angels and **in the presence of the Lamb**.

<sup>11</sup> And the **smoke** of their **torment** goes up **forever** and ever,

And they have **no** rest, day or night, **these worshipers of the beast**

And its **image**, and whoever **receives** the **mark** of its **name**."

<sup>12</sup> **Here is a call for the endurance** of the **saints**,

Those who **keep the commandments of God** and their **faith** in **Jesus**.

<sup>13</sup> And I heard **a voice from Heaven** saying, "Write this:

**Blessed** are the **dead** who **die in the Lord** from now on."

"**Blessed** indeed," **says the Spirit**, "**that they may rest** from their **labors**,

For their **deeds follow** them!"

## Page # 12t / What is faith?

Ephesians 2:1-10 (ESV) **And you were dead in the trespasses and sins**

<sup>2</sup> **In which you once walked,**

**Following the course of this world,**

**Following the prince of the power of the air,**

The spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience---

<sup>3</sup> Among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh,

**Carrying out the desires of the body and the mind,**

And were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

<sup>4</sup> **But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us,**

<sup>5</sup> Even when we were dead in our trespasses,

**Made us alive together with Christ---by grace you have been saved---**

<sup>6</sup> **And raised us up with Him and seated us with him**

**In the Heavenly places in Christ Jesus,**

<sup>7</sup> So that in the coming ages He might show the immeasurable riches of his grace

**In kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.**

<sup>8</sup> **For by grace you have been saved through faith.**

And this is not your own doing; **it is the gift of God,**

<sup>9</sup> **Not a result of works, so that no one may boast.**

<sup>10</sup> **For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works,**

Which **God prepared beforehand**, that we should walk in them.

James 1:1-8 (ESV) **James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ,**

**To the twelve tribes in the Dispersion: Greetings.**

<sup>2</sup> **Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds,**

<sup>3</sup> For you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness.

<sup>4</sup> And **let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect**

And complete, lacking in nothing.

<sup>5</sup> If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask **God, who gives**

**Generously to all without reproach (disapproval), and it will be given him.**

<sup>6</sup> **But let him ask in faith, with no doubting,**

For the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven

And tossed by the wind.

<sup>7</sup> For **that person must not suppose** that he will receive anything from the Lord;

<sup>8</sup> He is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

Matthew 8:23-27 (ESV) **And when He got into the boat, his disciples followed him.**

<sup>24</sup> And behold, there arose a great storm on the sea,

So that the boat was being swamped by the waves; **but He was asleep.**

<sup>25</sup> And they went and woke Him, saying, "Save us, Lord; we are perishing."

<sup>26</sup> **And He said to them, "Why are you afraid,**

O you of little faith?" **Then He rose and rebuked the winds**

And the sea, And **there was a great calm.**

<sup>27</sup> And the men marveled, saying, "**What sort of Man is This,**

That even winds and sea obey Him?"

## Page # 12u / What is faith?

Acts 14:19-23 (ESV) **But Jews came from Antioch and Iconium,**

And having **persuaded** the crowds, **they stoned Paul**

And **dragged** him out of the city, **supposing** that he was **dead**.

<sup>20</sup> But **when** the disciples gathered **about** him, **he rose up** and **entered** the city,

**And on** the next day he **went on** with Barnabas to Derbe.

<sup>21</sup> When they had **preached the Gospel** to that city and **had made** many disciples,

They **returned** to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch,

<sup>22</sup> **Strengthening** the souls of the disciples, **encouraging** them to **continue in the faith**,

And **saying** that **through** many **tribulations**

**We must enter the Kingdom of God.**

<sup>23</sup> And when they had **appointed elders** for them in every church,

With **prayer** and **fasting**

They **committed** them to **the Lord** in **whom** they had **believed**.

Matthew 8:5-13 (ESV) **When He entered** Capernaum, a centurion

**Came forward to Him**, appealing to **him**,

<sup>6</sup> "**Lord**, my servant is **lying paralyzed** at home, **suffering** terribly."

<sup>7</sup> **And He said to** him, "**I will come and heal** him."

<sup>8</sup> **But the centurion replied**, "**Lord**, I am **not worthy** to have **you** come under my roof,

But only **say the Word**, and my servant will be **healed**.

<sup>9</sup> For I too am a man **under authority**, with soldiers **under** me. And I say to one,

'Go,' and he **goes**, and to another,

'Come,' and he **comes**, and to my servant, '**Do this**,' and he **does it**."

<sup>10</sup> **When Jesus heard this**, **he marveled and said to** those who **followed him**,

**"Truly, I tell** you, **with no one in** Israel **have I found** such **faith**.

<sup>11</sup> **I tell** you, **many will come** from east and west **and recline** at table **with** Abraham,

Isaac, and Jacob **in the Kingdom of Heaven**,

<sup>12</sup> **While** the sons of **the kingdom** will be **thrown** into the **outer darkness**.

**In** that **place** there will be **weeping** and **gnashing** of teeth."

<sup>13</sup> And to the centurion **Jesus said**, "**Go**; let it **be done** for you **as you have believed**."

And the servant was **healed** at that very **moment**.

Romans 1:2-7 (ESV) **Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle,**

Set apart **for the Gospel of God**,

<sup>2</sup> **Which He promised beforehand** through **his** prophets **in the Holy Scriptures**,

<sup>3</sup> **Concerning His Son, who was descended from** David **according to the flesh**

<sup>4</sup> **And was declared to be the Son of God in power**

According to **the Spirit of Holiness**

**By His Resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ** our **Lord**,

<sup>5</sup> **Through Whom** we have **received grace** and apostleship to **bring** about

The **obedience of faith** for the sake of **His name** among **all** the nations,

<sup>6</sup> **Including** you who are **called** to belong to **Jesus Christ**,

<sup>7</sup> **To** all those in Rome who are **loved by God** and **called to be saints: Grace** to you

And **peace from God** our **Father and the Lord Jesus Christ**.

## Page # 12v / What is faith?

Acts 15: 4-11 (ESV) When they came to Jerusalem, **they were welcomed**

**By** the church **and** the apostles **and** the elders,

And they **declared** all that **God had done with** them.

<sup>5</sup> But **some** believers who **belonged** to the **party** of the **Pharisees** rose up and **said**,

"**It is necessary** to circumcise them

And **to order** them **to keep the law** of Moses."

<sup>6</sup> The apostles and the elders **were** gathered **together** **to consider this matter**.

<sup>7</sup> And **after** there had been **much debate**, Peter stood up **and said** to them,

"Brothers, you know **that** in the **early days**

**God made a choice** among you **that by** my mouth

The **Gentiles** should **hear the word of the Gospel** and **believe**.

<sup>8</sup> **And God, who knows** the heart, **bore witness** to them,

**By giving** them **the Holy Spirit just as He did to** us,

<sup>9</sup> **And He made no distinction** between us **and** them,

Having **cleansed** their hearts **by faith**.

<sup>10</sup> Now, therefore, **why** are you **putting God** to the **test**

**By placing** a yoke **on** the neck of the disciples

That **neither** our fathers **nor** we have **been able to bear**?

<sup>11</sup> But we **believe** that we **will be saved** through **the grace of the Lord Jesus**,

**Just as they will.**"

Revelation 2:12-17 (ESV) "And to the angel of the church in Pergamum write:

***The words of Him who has the sharp two-edged sword.***

<sup>13</sup> "**I know** where you  **dwell**, where **Satan's** throne **is**.

Yet you **hold fast My name**, and **you did not deny my faith**

Even in the days of Antipas **My faithful** witness,

Who **was killed** among you, where **Satan** dwells.

<sup>14</sup> **But I have a few things against** you:

You **have** some there who **hold** the **teaching** of **Balaam**,

Who **taught** Balak **to put a stumbling block before** the sons of Israel,

So that they **might** eat food **sacrificed to idols**

And **practice** sexual **immorality**.

<sup>15</sup> So **also** you **have** some who **hold** the **teaching of** the Nicolaitans.

<sup>16</sup> **Therefore repent**. If **not, I will come** to you soon

**And war against** them **with the sword of My mouth**.

<sup>17</sup> He who **has** an **ear**, let him **hear what the Spirit says** to the churches.

**To the one who conquers I will give some of** the hidden **manna**,

**And I will give** him a **white** stone, with a **new** name written **on** the stone

That **no one knows except the one who receives it.**'

Luke 18:7-8 (ESV) And will not **God give justice to his** elect,

Who **cry** to **Him** day and night? **Will he** delay long over them?

<sup>8</sup> **I tell** you, **He will give justice** to them **speedily**. Nevertheless,

**When the Son of Man comes, will he find** faith **on earth?**"

## Page # 12w / What is faith?

Matthew 16:5-12 (ESV) When the disciples reached the other side,

**They had forgotten** to bring any bread.

<sup>6</sup> **Jesus said to** them, "**Watch** and **beware of the leaven of** the Pharisees and Sadducees."

<sup>7</sup> And they **began discussing** it among themselves, **saying**,

"We brought **no** bread."

<sup>8</sup> **But Jesus, aware** of this, **said**, "**O you of little faith, why** are you **discussing**

Among yourselves the **fact** that you **have no** bread?

<sup>9</sup> **Do you not yet perceive?** Do you **not remember** the five loaves **for** the five thousand,

And **how many** baskets you **gathered**?

<sup>10</sup> Or the seven loaves **for** the four thousand, and **how many** baskets you **gathered**?

<sup>11</sup> **How is it** that you **fail to understand** that **I did not speak about** bread?

**Beware of the leaven of** the Pharisees and Sadducees."

<sup>12</sup> Then they **understood** that **He did not tell** them to **beware of the leaven of bread**,

**But of the teaching of** the Pharisees and Sadducees.

Matthew 6:25-34 (ESV) "**Therefore I tell** you, **do not be anxious about your life**,

**What you will eat or what you will drink, nor** about your body,

**What you will put on. Is not life more** than food,

And the **body more** than **clothing**?

<sup>26</sup> **Look at the birds of the air:** they **neither** sow **nor** reap **nor** gather into barns,

And **yet** your **Heavenly Father feeds** them.

Are you not **of more value than they**?

<sup>27</sup> And which **of you by being anxious** can **add** a single hour **to his span of life**?

<sup>28</sup> And **why** are you **anxious** about clothing? **Consider** the lilies of the field,

How they **grow:** they **neither** toil nor spin,

<sup>29</sup> **Yet I tell** you, **even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.**

<sup>30</sup> But if **God so clothes** the **grass of the field, which today is alive**

And **tomorrow is thrown** into the **oven,**

**Will He** not **much more** clothe you, **O you of little faith**?

<sup>31</sup> Therefore **do not** be **anxious**, saying, '**What shall** we eat?' or '**What shall** we drink?'

Or '**What shall** we wear?'

<sup>32</sup> For the Gentiles **seek after** all these **things**,

And your **heavenly Father knows** that you **need them all.**

<sup>33</sup> **But seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness,**

And **all these things will be added** to you.

<sup>34</sup> "Therefore **do not** be **anxious** about **tomorrow**, for tomorrow

**Will be anxious** for itself. **Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.**

Matthew 9:19-22 (ESV) **And Jesus rose and followed** him, with **his** disciples.

<sup>20</sup> And **behold**, a woman who **had suffered** from a **discharge of blood** for twelve years

Came up behind **Him** and **touched the fringe of his garment**,

<sup>21</sup> For she **said to herself**, "If I only **touch His garment**, I will be **made well.**"

<sup>22</sup> **Jesus turned, and seeing** her **he said**, "Take heart, daughter; your **faith**

**Has made you well.**" And **instantly** the woman was **made well.**

## Page # 12x / What is faith?

Matthew 9:1-8 (ESV) And getting into a boat He crossed over

And came to His own city.

<sup>2</sup> And behold, some people brought to Him a **paralytic**, lying on a bed.

And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic,

"Take heart, My son; **your sins are forgiven.**"

<sup>3</sup> And behold, some of the scribes **said** to themselves, "This Man is blaspheming."

<sup>4</sup> But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said,

"**Why** do you **think evil** in your hearts?

<sup>5</sup> For **which** is **easier**, to **say**, 'Your **sins are forgiven**,' or to say, '**Rise and walk**'?

<sup>6</sup> **But that you may know** that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"---

He then said to the paralytic---

"**Rise, pick up your bed and go** home."

<sup>7</sup> And he **rose** and went **home**.

<sup>8</sup> When the crowds **saw** it, they were **afraid**, and they **glorified God**,

Who had given such authority to Men (*Jesus in the flesh*).

Matthew 14:22-33 (ESV) Immediately He made the disciples get into the boat

And **go** before Him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

<sup>23</sup> And after He had dismissed the crowds,

He went up on the mountain by himself to pray.

When evening came, He was there alone,

<sup>24</sup> But the **boat** by **this time** **was a long way from the land**, **beaten** by the waves,

For the **wind** was **against** them.

<sup>25</sup> And in the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea.

<sup>26</sup> But when the disciples saw Him walking on the **sea**, they were **terrified**,

And **said**, "It is a ghost!" and they **cried** out in **fear**.

<sup>27</sup> But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do **not** be **afraid**."

<sup>28</sup> And Peter answered Him, "Lord, if it is you,

**Command me to come** to You on the **water**."

<sup>29</sup> He said, "Come." So Peter got **out** of the **boat** and **walked** on the water

And **came** to Jesus.

<sup>30</sup> But **when he saw the wind**, he was **afraid**, and beginning to **sink** he **cried** out,

"Lord, save me."

<sup>31</sup> Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him,

"O you of **little** faith, **why did** you **doubt**?"

<sup>32</sup> And **when** they got **into** the boat, **the wind ceased**.

<sup>33</sup> And those in the boat **worshiped Him**, saying, "Truly You are the Son of God."

Habakkuk 2:2-4 (ESV) And the Lord answered me: "Write the vision (Vision was A Warning from God); **Make it plain** on tablets, **so he may run who reads it**.

<sup>3</sup> **For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end---it will not lie.**

**If it seems slow**, wait for it; **it will surely come; it will not delay**.

<sup>4</sup> "Behold, his soul is **puffed up**; **it is not upright within him**,

**But** the righteous shall live **by** his **faith**.



## Page # 12y / What is faith?

Acts 14:8-10 (ESV) Now at Lystra there was a man sitting

Who **could not** use his feet.

He was **crippled** from birth and had **never** walked.

<sup>9</sup> He **listened** to Paul **speaking**. And Paul, **looking intently** at him and **seeing**

That **he had faith to be made well,**

<sup>10</sup> **Said** in a **loud** voice, "**Stand upright** on your feet." And he **sprang up**

**And began walking.**

Luke 17:11-19 (ESV) On the way to Jerusalem **He was passing along**

Between Samaria and Galilee.

<sup>12</sup> **And as He entered** a village, **he was met** by ten **lepers**, who **stood** at a distance

<sup>13</sup> And **lifted** up their voices, **saying**,

**"Jesus, Master, have mercy on us."**

<sup>14</sup> **When He saw** them **he said to** them, "**Go and show** yourselves to the **priests.**"

And as they **went** they were **cleansed.**

<sup>15</sup> **Then one of them**, when he **saw** that he was **healed**, turned **back**,

**Praising God with a loud voice;**

<sup>16</sup> And he **fell** on his face **at Jesus' feet**, giving **him thanks**. Now he was a Samaritan.

<sup>17</sup> **Then Jesus answered**, "Were **not** ten **cleansed?**

**Where are the nine?**

<sup>18</sup> Was **no** one **found** to **return** and **give praise** to **God** **except** this foreigner?"

<sup>19</sup> **And He said to** him, "**Rise and go your way**; your **faith** has **made you well.**"

Titus 1:7-16 (ESV) For an overseer, as **God's** steward, **must be above reproach.**

He **must not** be arrogant **or** quick-tempered **or** a drunkard

**Or** violent **or** greedy for gain,

<sup>8</sup> But **hospitable**, a **lover** of **good**, self-**controlled**, **upright**, **holy**, and **disciplined.**

<sup>9</sup> **He must hold firm** to **the trustworthy Word** as **taught**,

So that he **may be able** to **give instruction in Sound Doctrine**

**And also to rebuke** those who **contradict it.**

<sup>10</sup> For there **are many** who are **insubordinate**, **empty talkers** and **deceivers**,

**Especially** those of the circumcision party (Jewish).

<sup>11</sup> **They must be silenced**, since they are **upsetting** whole families

**By teaching** for **shameful gain** what they **ought not** to teach.

<sup>12</sup> **One** of the Cretans, a prophet of their own, **said**,

"Cretans **are** always **liars**, **evil** beasts, **lazy** gluttons."

<sup>13</sup> This **testimony** is **true**. **Therefore rebuke them sharply**,

That they **may be sound in** the **faith**,

<sup>14</sup> **Not devoting** themselves to Jewish **myths** and the **commands of** people

Who turn **away** from **the Truth.**

<sup>15</sup> **To the pure**, all things **are pure**, but to the **defiled** and **unbelieving**, **nothing** is pure;

But **both** their minds and their consciences are **defiled.**

<sup>16</sup> They **profess** to **know God**, but they **deny him** by their **works.**

They are **detestable**, **disobedient**, **unfit** for any good work.

## Page # 12z / What is faith?

Luke 5:17-20 (ESV) **On one of those days, as He was teaching,**

Pharisees and **teachers of the law** were sitting there, **who had come From** every village of Galilee and Judea and **from** Jerusalem.

**And the power of the Lord was with Him to heal.**

<sup>18</sup> And behold, some men were **bringing** on a bed **a man who was paralyzed,**

And they were **seeking** to **bring him in** and lay him **before Jesus,**

<sup>19</sup> But finding **no way** to bring him in, **because of the crowd,**

They **went up** on the **roof** and let him **down** with his **bed**

**Through** the **tiles** into the midst **before Jesus.**

<sup>20</sup> **And when He saw their faith, he said,** "Man, your **sins are forgiven** you."

Ephesians 6:16 (ESV) **In all circumstances take up the shield of faith,**

**With** which you can **extinguish** all **the flaming darts of the evil one;**

Luke 7:40-50 (ESV) **And Jesus answering said to him,** "Simon,

**I have something to say to you."**

And he **answered,** "Say it, **Teacher."**

<sup>41</sup> "A **certain moneylender** had **two debtors.** One **owed** five hundred Denair,

**And** the other **fifty.**

<sup>42</sup> When they **could not** pay, he **cancelled** the **debt** of both.

Now **which of them will love him more?"**

<sup>43</sup> Simon **answered,** "The **one,** I suppose, **for whom he cancelled** the larger debt."

**And he said to him,** "You have **judged rightly."**

<sup>44</sup> **Then turning toward** the woman **He said** to Simon, "**Do you see this woman?**

**I entered** your house;

You gave **Me no** water for **my feet,**

**But she has** wet **My feet with** her tears and **wiped** them with her hair.

<sup>45</sup> You gave me **no** kiss, **but from** the time **I came in** she **has not ceased to kiss my feet.**

<sup>46</sup> You **did not** anoint **My head** with oil,

**But she has** anointed **My feet with** ointment.

<sup>47</sup> Therefore **I tell** you, her **sins, which are many, are forgiven**---for she **loved much.**

**But he who is forgiven little, loves little."**

<sup>48</sup> **And He said to her,** "**Your sins are forgiven.**"

<sup>49</sup> **Then** those who **were at table with Him** began to say among themselves,

**"Who is this, who even forgives sins?"**

<sup>50</sup> **And He said to** the woman, "**Your faith has saved you; go in peace.**"

Galatians 5:6 (ESV) **For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision**

Nor uncircumcision **counts for anything,**

But only **faith** working **through love.**

Galatians 5:6 (NLT) **For when we place our faith in Christ Jesus,**

**It makes no difference to God** whether we are circumcised

**Or not circumcised. What is important is faith expressing itself in love.**

## Page # 12ba / What is faith?

1 John 5:4-5 (ESV) For everyone **who has been born of God** overcomes the world.

And **this** is the victory that **has overcome** the world---our faith.

<sup>5</sup> Who is it that **overcomes** the world

**Except** the one who believes that *Jesus is the Son of God?*

1 John 5:4-10 (NLT) For every child of **God** **defeats this evil world**

**By trusting Christ to give the victory.**

[5] **And the ones who win this battle against the world**

**Are the ones who believe**

That *Jesus is the Son of God*.

[6] *And Jesus Christ was revealed as God's Son by his baptism in water*

*And by shedding His blood on the cross*—

**Not by** water only,

*But by water and blood*.

*And the Spirit also gives* us the testimony that **this** is **true**.

[7] So we **have** these **three witnesses**—

[8] *The Spirit*, the water, and the blood—and all **three agree**.

[9] **Since** we **believe** human testimony,

**Surely** we **can believe** the testimony

That comes from God. And God has testified about his Son.

[10] All who believe in the Son of God **know** that **this is true**.

Those who don't believe **this**

Are actually calling God a liar

**Because** they don't believe what God has testified about his Son.