

FAITH

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2. Work of God John 6:29
3. Doctrine of Christ Eph. 4:4; Rom. 10:8
4. Infidelity Embraced by Faith
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Necessity of Faith

1. Without Cannot Please God Heb. 11:1
2. Commanded of Christ Jn. 8:24
3. Condition of Salvation Acts 16:30

How Faith Is Acquired

1. Miracles of Christ Jn. 20:30-31
2. By Preaching the Word Jn. 15:7
3. By Hearing Rom. 10:14-17

Walking by Faith 2 Cor. 5:7

1. By Faith Abel Heb. 11:4
2. By Faith Noah 1 Pet. 3:21
3. By Faith Abraham Jas. 2:19-20
4. By Faith Moses Heb. 11:23-25
5. By Faith Walls Fell Heb. 11:30

Faith That Avails Gal. 5:6

1. Barren Faith Jas. 2:19-20
2. Faith that Works Gal. 5:6; 1 Cor. 13:2
3. Obedient Faith Jn. 3:36
4. Worshipful Faith ac. 2:42
5. End of Faith 1 Pet. 1:9

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Heb. 11:1

INTRO: We notice from our text what faith is. To have faith is to have a firm persuasion, a conviction based upon hearing.

Faith will prompt one to exercise his belief. Our faith in a person contains an element of trust or confidence. We believe in our physician. We have faith in him, so we are willing to commit our case to him.

Having faith in a person or things means more than just believing.

Cain believed in the existence of God, but trusted in his own wisdom when making an offering. Abel showed his faith when he was willing to do as God commanded. Gen. 4:3-8. Moses, also, in Num. 20:11-12.

I. FAITH IS NOT:

- A. A notion or theory.
- B. An opinion or knowledge.
- C. A human creed.
- D. Mental assent.

II. FAITH IS:

- A. A conviction. Heb. 11:1. Faith is a conviction based upon hearing something that supports a confident expectation.
- B. A work of God. John 6:29.
- C. The doctrine of Christ. Eph. 4:4; Rom. 10:8.
- D. Infidelity embraced by faith. (Dinosaurs, Popeye)

III. NECESSITY OF FAITH

- A. Without faith, we cannot please God. Heb. 11:1-6.
- B. It was commanded of Christ. John 8:24.
- C. It is a condition of salvation. Acts 16:30-31.

IV. HOW FAITH IS ACQUIRED

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- B. By faith, Noah... 1 Pet. 3:21; Heb. 11:7.
- C. By faith, Abraham... James 2:19-20; Heb. 11:17.
- D. By faith, Moses... Heb. 11:23-25.
- E. By faith, the walls fell. Heb. 11:30.

VI. FAITH THAT AVAILS. GAL. 5:6

- A. Not barren faith. James 2:19-20.

- B. Faith that works. Gal. 5:6.
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CONCL: The faith that saves is the faith that obeys.