Faith

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INTRODUCTION

- In this world today, faith is a very misconstrued word.
- A simple definition of faith that we probably all equate in our minds is that of just belief.
- The second definition says strong belief in God or in the doctrines of a religion based on spiritual apprehension rather than proof. Which is quite a contrast from that first definition.

1 What Really Is the Definition of Faith?

Hebrews 11:1

- In the Bible it actually just very clearly plainly gives it to us in Hebrews chapter 11.
- Now, faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.
- So we can actually have that first definition of complete trust and confidence in someone in a religious context.
- What's the hope that we have, and what's the conviction of the things that we haven't seen? Well, is that hope that we'll be with God in heaven, that Jesus, our priest, will intercede for us.

2 I Have Faith in God: I Believe in God

Psalm 19:1; Romans 1:20

- You're saying that you believe in the existence of God. You believe that He created the heavens and the earth, and you believe that He sustains all things, that He is in control.
- The heavens are telling of the glory of God, and their expanse is declaring the work of his hands.
- Since the creation of the world, his invisible attributes, his eternal power and divine nature have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made.
- My proof for why God exists is that the creation is there to tell of his glory so that we might be brought to him, to the knowledge of him.
- Those who don't believe in God have no excuse because of the very fact of the creation that is all around us.

3 Looking for God to Take Action

Joshua 21:43–45

- I have faith that God is going to get me through these hard times, or I have faith that God is going to guide me through life.
- That's based off of God's promises that he gives us in the Bible.
- Not one of the good promises which the Lord had made to the house of Israel failed. All came to pass.
- Why then should we now today think that the promises he still owes us is going to fail? We have no reason to.

- I am assured that I am saved, that I have salvation and will one day be with God in heaven.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **How is your faith? Are you convicted that God can save you? That God has saved you.**

MY NOTES