



ANCHORED IN FAITH

FAITH!

Killing Christians
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Saul present when Stephen is stoned!

The men who had brought charges against him put their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul.

Acts 7:58

Saul approved the stoning of Stephen.

Acts 8:1

And I was in complete agreement when your witness Stephen was killed.
I stood by and kept the coats they took off when they stoned him.

Acts 22:20



حتى تضع الحرب أوزارها، هينزل عيسى عليه السلام



“Their God is my God!”

FAITH: WHAT IS IT?

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for,
the conviction of things not seen.
Hebrews 11:1

Complete trust or confidence in someone or something. -Webster

Faith is that which enables us to treat as real the things that are unseen. -Rhee

Being satisfied with all that God is for us in Jesus. -Piper

FAITH: WHAT IS IT?

For by grace you are saved through faith,
and **this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God;**
it is not from works, so that no one can boast.
Ephesians 2:8-9

Can we boast, then, that we have done anything to be accepted by God? No, because our acquittal is not based on obeying the law.

It is based on faith.

So we are made right with God through faith
and not by obeying the law.

Romans 3:27-28

FAITH: WHAT IS IT?

Therefore I exhort you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a sacrifice—alive, holy, and pleasing to God—which is your reasonable service. Do not be conformed to this present world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may test and approve what is the will of God—what is good and well-pleasing and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to every one of you not to think more highly of yourself than you ought to think, but to think with sober discernment, **as God has distributed to each of you a measure of faith.**

Romans 12:1-3

Immediately the father of the boy cried out and said, “I believe; **help my unbelief!**”

Mark 9:24

The apostles said to the Lord, “**Increase our faith!**”

Luke 17:5

FAITH: WHAT IS IT?

...keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus,
the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

For the joy set out for him he endured the cross,
disregarding its shame, and *has taken his seat at
the right hand of the throne of God.*

Hebrews 12:2

FAITH: WHAT IS IT?

Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the **testing of your faith produces steadfastness**.

And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, **lacking in nothing**.

James 1:2-4

So also faith by itself, **if it does not have works, is dead**.

James 2:17

Dear brothers and sisters, we can't help but thank God for you, because **your faith is flourishing** and your love for one another is growing.

2 Thessalonians 1:3

FAITH: WHAT IS IT?

And it is impossible to please God without faith.
Hebrews 11:6

FAITH: WHAT IS IT?

He said to them, “Because of your little faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith like a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move, and **nothing will be impossible for you.**

Matthew 17:20

FAITH: WHAT IS IT?

In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, 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. 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, **obtaining the outcome of your faith**, the salvation of your souls.

1 Peter 1:6-9

FAITH: OPPOSITE OF IT

UNBELIEF

which leads to
control, fear, mistrust

FAITH: HOW DO YOU GET IT?

So faith *comes* from hearing, and
hearing by the word of Christ.

Romans 10:17

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AND

TRUSTING the TRUTH!

fAITH

taking GOD at HIS
word

TRUSTING the TRUTH

These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world.

John 16:33

I am with you always.

Matthew 28:20

TRUSTING the TRUTH

The Lord of Heaven's Armies has sworn this oath: "It will happen as I have planned. It will be as I have decided."

Isaiah 14:24

God's way is perfect. All the Lord's promises prove true.

He is a shield for all who look to Him for protection.

Psalms 18:30

FAITH: WHAT BUILDS IT?

Exercising it!
Seeing it work!

HEBREWS 11

Vs 4 still speaks (others are watching)

Vs 6 pleases God

Vs 7 obeyed

Vs 8 obeyed

Vs 11 believed – took Him at His Word

Vs 13 this is not our home

Vs 17 obeyed & took Him at His Word

Vs 22 trusted - took Him at His Word

Vs 23 trusted

Vs 26 not our home

Vs 27 trusted - eyes on Jesus

Vs 29 faith became action

Vs 34 weakness became strength

FAITH!

You can look at something in awe and amazement,
but until you put it into action... it's not faith!



What does it look like to **WALK IN FAITH?**

“for we walk by faith, not by sight.”

2 Corinthians 5:7

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4. Humility

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. What is something you need to trust Him with, despite understanding His plan?
2. What's happened that causes you to question His goodness, thus preventing you from walking by faith?
3. Where are you not walking by faith? Confess to Him your lack of faith and ask for more?