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These Three Remain

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faith comes



Study notes and devotional scriptures



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These Three Remain Week 2 Now Faith Comes

1 Corinthians 13:13 And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Faith is simply trusting in a FAITHFULL God!

God will do what He said He will do

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

Now Faith

Faith is in a dimension called NOW

God is always in the NOW

Eternity is always in the NOW never in the past or future

Faith says, "If God's Word says it's so, then it's so. I have it now."

How can we increase our faith?

(1) Faith Comes

Romans 12 This is to believers

Young's Literal Translation Romans 12:3 **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.**

God's portion control!

Everyone who believes the message of the gospel is given a measure of faith by God through grace

God is generous

- ✚ Faith comes in measures so that means it can be measured.
- ✚ It can increase.

Ephesians 2: 8 **For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—**

- ❖ So faith is received not earned, but it is received from God as a free gift.
- ❖ Faith is increased by hearing God's Word

Romans 10:14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? **15**And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things! **16**But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? **17**So then faith *cometh* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

You can expect faith to come to you and increase in you as you spend time listening to Him speak to you

There is a process to obtaining faith

The word of God comes into our spirit man in different ways

- ❖ **The written word of God**
- ❖ **The inner voice of the Holy Spirit**
- ❖ **The prophetic**
- ❖ **The testimonies of others**

There is no limit placed upon your capacity to obtain faith.

(b) Great Faith

Matthew 8:5 When Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, asking for help. 6“Lord,” he said, “my servant lies at home paralyzed, suffering terribly.” 7Jesus said to him, “Shall I come and heal him?” 8The centurion replied, “Lord, I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. But just say the word, and my servant will be healed. 9For I myself am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. I tell this one, ‘Go,’ and he goes; and that one, ‘Come,’ and he comes. I say to my servant, ‘Do this,’ and he does it.” 10When Jesus heard this, he was amazed and said to those following him, “Truly I tell you, I have not found anyone in Israel with such great faith.

13Then Jesus said to the centurion, “Go! Let it be done just as you believed it would.” And his servant was healed at that moment.

We serve a great God who is moved by great faith

God cannot ignore Great Faith

Great Faith

- ✚ Only Needs A Word
- ✚ Doesn't need evidence
- ✚ Instantly receives

Mark 11: 20 In the morning, as they went along, they saw the fig tree withered from the roots. 21Peter remembered and said to Jesus, “Rabbi, look! The fig tree you cursed has withered!”

22“Have faith in God,” Jesus answered. 23“Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, ‘Go, throw yourself into the sea,’ and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them. 24Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

says to this mountain

Great faith refuses to talk about the mountain

Great Faith talks to the mountain

Matthew 8:5 just say the word

When you are moving in the level of just receiving a word you are moving in great faith

Mark 11:23 you have received it

Great faith knows they have received it.

- (a) Little faith
- (b) Great Faith
- (c) Full of faith

Acts 6:2 Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples *unto them*, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables.

3Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. **4**But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word. **5**And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch: **6**Whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid *their* hands on them. **7**And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.

8And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.

full of faith and power

If your full of faith there is no space for doubt

- ✚ You can be full of faith
- ✚ You can do great wonders
- ✚ You can do great miracles

These Three Remain, daily notes and verses.

Week 2 Now Faith Comes

Day 1 Now Faith comes by design

Eternity is always in the NOW never in the past or future

How can we increase our faith?

Increasing your faith is your responsibility

Jude 1: [20](#) But you, dear friends, by building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, [21](#) keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life.

building = *epoikodoméō* "to build up, edify") – properly, *appropriately* build on, following a *plan* with *pre-designed* (*pre-defined*) specifications

Buildings need

- Plans
- Skills
- Workers
- Materials

This is not improvised it's designed

The word used here for faith is **pistis**.

Pistis is

- Received from God, and never generated by us.
- God's divine persuasion
- God's warranty
- Guarantees the fulfilment of the promise
- Divine spark

Ephesians 2: 8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—

Day 2 Now Faith comes by proses

The process of increasing faith is not natural it is divine.

It is founded on

- Relationship between God and man.
- Revelation by the Holy Spirit

Daniel 11:32 but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.

When you know Him you know primarily He is faithful therefore He will keep His promise

Numbers 23: [19](#) God is not human, that he should lie, not a human being, that he should change his mind.

Does he speak and then not act?

Does he promise and not fulfill?

There is nothing more certain than the promises of God

If God were to lie everything in every realm would be destroyed

Hebrews 6:18 God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope set before us may be greatly encouraged

As we continually renew our thought processes to the fact that God is faithful, truthful and honest our faith continues to grow.

Day 3 Now Faith comes by Hearing

The process of increasing our faith comes from hearing His voice

Romans 10:14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?

17So then faith *cometh* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Hearing God is more than an audible thing or an intellectual thing, it's about The Holy Spirit breathing God's word into our spirit man.

He does this by

- ❖ The written word of God
- ❖ The inner voice of the Holy Spirit
- ❖ The prophetic
- ❖ The testimonies of others

1 Kings 19: 11The Lord said, “Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.”

Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. 12After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper.

Once we have heard the word of the Lord we can be assured our faith has been increased for that which we are believing God to do for us

If you can hear His voice you can possess His promises

Day 4 Now Faith comes by revelation

The Holy Spirit is the key to possessing faith

John 16:13 But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. 14He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. 15All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you.”

Spirit of truth= The Spirit of the one who is truth, therefore He cannot lie, Therefore what He said will come to pass.

It is the work of the Holy Spirit to birth revelation in our lives.

Revelation is the only true pathway to transformation. When a divine concept illuminates the spirit of man it brings with it change.

John 10: **27My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. 28I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand.**

When we hear His voice it creates faith

Man's intellect, strength and willpower can achieve much but a heaven sent revelation takes us into the realm of the supernatural

Day 5 Now Faith comes through impartation

Romans 1: 8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world. 9 God, whom I serve in my spirit in preaching the gospel of his Son, is my witness how constantly I remember you 10 in my prayers at all times; and I pray that now at last by God's will the way may be opened for me to come to you.

11 I long to see you so that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to make you strong— 12 that is, that you and I may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith.

A vital part of our walk of faith is discipleship. The place of mentorship and impartation from other believers who are more mature in God than we are

Three relationships you need in your life.

- 1. Those you rescue**
- 2. Those you relate**
- 3. Those you rely on**

When we surround ourselves with people who move in greater faith than us it stirs us to step up to their level