

# Our Faith

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"But now the Righteousness of God apart from the Law is manifested, being witnessed under the Law and the prophets; even the Righteousness of God which is through Faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all those who believe. For there is no difference; for all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; being justified freely by His Grace through the Redemption that is in Christ Jesus; whom God has set forth to be a Propitiation through Faith in His blood (i.e. in His death on the Cross), to declare His Righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, in the forbearance of God; to declare, I say, at this time His Righteousness; so that He might be Just, and the Justifier of him by Faith of Jesus. Where is boasting then? It is excluded. Through what law? Of works? No! But through the Law of Faith. Therefore, we conclude that a man is justified by Faith apart from the deeds of the Law. Is He the God of the Jews only? Is He not also (the God) of the Gentiles (other Nations)? Yes, of the Gentiles also; since He is the One (and only) God, who shall justify the circumcision (Jews) by Faith, and the uncircumcision (Gentiles) through that (same) Faith." (Romans 3:21-30)

**Faith:** from the Greek word *pisteos (pistis)* a noun which means: faith, belief, complete trust or confidence in someone or something; a strong rock-solid belief in God: the Father, the Son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit; and in the promises, commandments, teachings, and doctrines of God: things such as salvation, redemption, sanctification, eternal life, and many such blessings and truths, that are secured and realized, in and through Christ Jesus.

**Believe:** from the Greek word *pisteuontas* a verb which means: to believe; to trust, to actually accept something with faith as being true; in context: especially faith in the salvation and redemption that comes only through the death of Jesus on the Cross; and His resurrection from the dead; and other such blessings as mentioned above.

## Biblical Concepts of Faith that exemplify how we should live and abide in Faith:

"Now **Faith** is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence (proof) of things not seen. For in **This (faith)** the elders obtained a good report. **By Faith** we understand that the worlds were formed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made from things which are visible. **By Faith** Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and by it he being dead still speaks. **By Faith** Enoch was translated (taken-up to heaven alive) so that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him; for before his translation he had this testimony: that he pleased God. But without **Faith it is impossible** to please Him (God); for he who comes to God must Believe that **He exists**, and that **He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him**." (Hebrews 11:1-6)

"For I am not ashamed of the **Good-news (Gospel) of Christ**; for **it** is the power of God unto salvation to everyone **who Believes**; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. For in it is the righteousness of God revealed **from Faith to Faith**: as it is written, 'The just (or righteous) man shall live by Faith' (Habakkuk 2:4)." (Romans 1:16-17)

"**But God**, who is rich in mercy, for **His great Love** with which **He Loved us**, even when we were dead in sins, has made us alive together **with Christ**; by Grace you are saved; and has raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places **in Christ Jesus**; so that in the ages to come **He** might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness towards us through Christ Jesus. For by Grace you are saved through Faith; and that not of yourselves; **it is the gift of God**; not by works, lest any man should boast. For we are **His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works**, which God has beforehand ordained that we should walk in them." (Ephesians 2:4-10)

"What does it profit, my brethren, if someone says he has Faith, but has not works? This faith is not able save him! If a brother or sister be unclothed, and destitute of daily food, and one of you says unto them, 'Depart in peace, be you warmed and filled;' and yet you do not give them those things which are needful unto the body; what profit is that? Even so **Faith, if it has not works, is dead, being by itself.** Yet, a man may say, 'You have Faith, and I have works.' Show me your Faith without your works, and I will show you **my Faith by my works.** You **believe** that there is one God; you do well; the devils also believe, and tremble. But will you know, O vain man, that **Faith without works is useless?** Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar? You see **how Faith was-working with his works;** and by those works Faith was perfected? And the scripture was fulfilled which said, 'Abraham **believed God**, and it was counted unto him for righteousness' ([Genesis 15:6](#));' and he was called the Friend of God ([Isaiah 41:8](#)). You see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by Faith alone. Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent them out another (safe) way? For as the body without the spirit is dead, **so also Faith without works is dead.**" ([James 2:14-26](#))

"O foolish Galatians, who has bewitched (cast a spell over) you, that you should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ has been evidently set forth: Crucified among you? This only would I learn of you: did you received the Spirit by the works of the Law, or by the **hearing of Faith?** Are you so foolish, having begun in the Spirit, are you now being perfected in the flesh? Have you suffered so many things in vain, if it be yet in vain? Therefore, **He (God)** who provides to you the Spirit, and works miracles among you, is it by the works of the Law, or by the hearing of Faith? Just as Abraham 'believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness' ([Genesis 15:6](#)). Therefore, do you know that those of Faith, they are the sons (children) of Abraham. And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the nations by Faith, preached beforehand the Good-news (the gospel) unto Abraham, saying, 'In you shall all nations be blessed' ([Genesis 12:3](#)). So then **those who are of Faith** are blessed with **believing Abraham.** For as many as are of the works of the Law are under the curse; for it is written, 'Cursed is every one who does not continue in doing all things which are written in the Book of the Law to do them' ([Deuteronomy 27:26](#)). Now that no man is justified in the Law before God, it is evident: for, 'The just (or righteous) man shall live by Faith' ([Habakkuk 2:4](#)). And the Law is not by faith; and yet, 'He who does them (the laws) shall live in them' ([Leviticus 18:5](#)). Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the Law, **being made a curse for us;** for it is written, 'Cursed is every one that hangs on a tree' ([Deuteronomy 21:23](#)); so that the blessing of Abraham might come to the Nations **in Jesus Christ;** so that we might receive the **promise of the Spirit through Faith.**" ([Galatians 3:1-14](#))

**Thus and foremost: our Faith should be in Jesus Christ! Please consider the following:**

"But the scripture has confined all under sin, so that the **promise by Faith of Jesus Christ** might be given to those who **believe.** But before **Faith** came, we were guarded (protectively) under the Law, confined until the **Faith** about to happen is revealed. Therefore, the Law was our tutor to bring us unto Christ, so that we might be justified **by Faith.** But now that Faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. For you are all sons (children) of God through Faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for **you are all one in Christ Jesus.** And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed (descendants), and heirs according to the promise." ([Galatians 3:22-29](#))

"Therefore, being justified **by Faith**, we have Peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ; through whom also we have access **by Faith** into this Grace wherein we stand, and rejoice **in hope** of the glory of God." ([Romans 5:1-2](#))

"For God **so Loved the world**, that **He gave His Only Begotten Son (Jesus)**, so that whoever **Believes in Him** should not perish, but have Everlasting Life. For God sent not **His Son** into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him (through Jesus) might be saved. He who **Believes on Him** is not condemned; but he who **does not Believe** is condemned already, because **he has not Believed** in the **Name** of the Only Begotten Son of God." ([John 3:16-18](#))

**Just as God so Loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son Jesus to be our Savior; so also should our Faith be rooted and founded in Love! Please consider the following exhortations:**

"For we, *through the Spirit* **by Faith**, eagerly-wait for the hope of righteousness. For **in Christ Jesus** neither circumcision avails anything, nor uncircumcision; but Faith working through Love." ([Galatians 5:5-6](#))

"And the Grace of our Lord was exceeding abundant **with Faith and Love** which is **in Christ Jesus**." ([1 Timothy 1:14](#))

"Hold fast the form of sound words, which you have heard from me, **in Faith and Love** which is **in Christ Jesus**." ([2 Timothy 1:13](#))

"For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that **He** would grant you, according to the riches of **His glory**, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit into the inner man; so that **Christ may dwell in your hearts through Faith**; so that you, **being rooted and founded in Love** may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the **Love of Christ**, which surpasses knowledge, so that you might be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto **Him** who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, unto **Him be Glory in the church** and **in Christ Jesus** to all the generations: (unto) the age of the ages (forever and ever). Amen." ([Ephesians 3:14-21](#))

### Our Faith ...

... is our complete trust, confidence, and strong rock-solid belief in God ...  
... the Father, the Son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit !!!

Our Faith is in our complete assurance and hope in all the promises of God ...  
... for the remission of our sins: past, present, and future: through the death of Jesus on the Cross; and in His resurrection from the dead !!

Our Faith is now rooted and Founded in Love, through which we serve and obey Him !!  
Always and Always !!

Thank You Father, Son, and Holy Spirit for dwelling in our hearts through Faith !!  
May our Faith always be manifested by works of lovingkindness and obedience to You !!  
Always and Always !!

All Praise, and Glory, and Honor to You Forever and Ever !! Amen !