**I Must EXERCISE MY FAITH**

**Anchored: Standing Firm in a Changing World**

**IF I AM EXERCISING MY FAITH THEN…**

**1. I have a faith that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***This Good News tells us that God…makes us right in God’s sight—when we put our faith and trust in Christ to save us. This is accomplished from start to finish by faith.***

**Rom. 1:7 (LB)**

***Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.* 1 Pet. 1:8-9**

***It is by believing in his heart that a man becomes right with God; and with his mouth he tells others of his faith, confirming his salvation.* Rom. 10:10 (LB)**

***Because of me, you will be hated by everyone. But don’t worry! You will be saved by being faithful to me.***

**Luke 21:17-19 (CEV)**

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***All God does is just and good, and all his commandments are trustworthy. They are forever true, to be obeyed faithfully and with integrity.* Psa. 111:7-8 (NLT)**

***The one who obeys me is the one who loves me; and because he loves me, my Father will love him; and I will too, and I will reveal myself to him.* John 14:21 (LB)**

***Why do you keep on saying that I am your Lord, when you refuse to do what I say?* Luke 6:46 (CEV)**

***My brothers and sisters, if people say they have faith, but do nothing, their faith is worth nothing. Can faith like that save them?* James 2:14 (NCV)**

**3. I have a faith that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless indeed you fail to meet the test!* 2 Cor. 13:5 (ESV)**

***Those on the rocky ground are the ones who receive the word with joy when they hear it, but they have no root. They believe for a while, but in the time of testing they fall away.***

**Luke 8:13**

***Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God.* Rom. 12:2 (ESV)**

***God will bless you, if you don’t give up when your faith is being tested. He will reward you with a glorious life, just as he rewards everyone who loves him.* James 1:12 (CEV)**

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***Even gold, which can be destroyed, is tested by fire; and so your faith, which is much more precious than gold, must also be tested, so that it may endure.*  1 Pet. 1:7 (GN)**

***For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing.*  James 1:3-4 (NLT)**

***Key Truth:* My Faith means nothing if \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***I may even have enough faith to move mountains. But if I don’t have love, I am nothing.*  1 Cor. 13:2 (GW)**

***For in Christ Jesus… The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.* Gal. 5:6**

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