**Heart Faith with Action *(sjm 3-30-2025)***

**Review of Heart Faith**

**Mark 9:23 Jesus said if thou canst believe, “All things are possible to him that believes”**

**Heb 11:6** Without **Faith** it is impossible to **please** God, for he that cometh to God must believe that **he is** & that he is a **rewarder** of those that **diligently** seek him

 **We need to seek God with all of our heart & get rid of or unlearn some pre-conceived notions.**

**Mark 11:22** Have faith in **God**

 **23** For verily I say unto **You,** That **Whosoever** (anyone) shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall **not doubt in his heart**, but **shall believe** that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. (Msg good)

 **24** Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, **believe** that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

**Faith without works is Dead**

**James 1:22 KJV** Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. **Do** what it says.

 **James 1:22 MSG** Don’t fool yourself into thinking that you are a listener when you are anything but, letting the Word go in one ear and out the other. ***Act on what you hear*!**

**James 2:14-16 Read**

**17 KJV**  Even so faith, if it *hath not works*, is dead, being alone

 **NIV I**n the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead

 **Ampld** So also ***faith***, if it does not have works *(deeds & actions of obedience to back it up),* by itself is destitute of power *(inoperative, dead).* . ***(ref: Abraham)***

 **James 2:21** Was not our father Abraham justified by works when he had offered Isaac his son upon the alter

 **James 2:25** Likewise was not Rahab the harlot justified by works when she helped the messengers

 The word works in the N/T is Ergon Work, deed, action or task

 *In context of* ***James*** *& references to Abraham & Rahab =* ***following instructions from the Lord!***

**Abraham’s Faith Example:**

**Rom 4:18** Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, **according to that which was spoken**, So shall thy seed be.

 19**And being not weak in faith, he considered not** his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb:

20He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; **but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;**

21And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

22And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness.

23Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him;

24But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead;

**Example:** I have a brand new gator ($10-15k) for you and I am going to give it to you tomorrow.

 Newer Member: No relationship, no trust built up, no idea of their ability to perform

**Natural Realm Faith Example:**

 **In my opinion Four things must exist for me to believe I am actually going to receive a promised gift or service “promised today but not going to be delivered until next month”**

 1) I must have already had a relationship with this person *(not someone off the street)*

 2) A Trust factor had to already been proven *(seen the persons faithfulness already)*

 3) I must believe they have the ability to perform

**Open Question? Are these 4 things present with your relationship with God?**

**To the church on the building program: “God will provide”**

 **Grace Sayles – the fruit is coming in!**

**John 20: 29**Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.

Faith is present tense

**Mark 13:34** For the Son of Man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave **authority** to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch.

**1 Cor 1:4-5** And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in **the power of God.**

**Rom 8:11** But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also **quicken** **your** **mortal** **bodies** by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

**James 1:2 NIV** **2**Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, **3**because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. **4**Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

**WHY IS FAITH IMPORTANT?** Foundation for our Christian Life By it we realize our covenant promises

**Heb 11:6** Without faith it is impossible to please God, for he that cometh to God must believe that he is & that he is a rewarded of those that diligently seek him

SALVATION **Rom 10:9-10** (See lesson 1)

RIGHTEOUSNESS **Phil 3:9** (See lesson 1) Your own righteousness is of the law, but the righteousness of God is by faith

GRACE **Rom 5:2** (See lesson 2) Wherein we have access by faith to this grace, wherein we stand

PRAYER **Mark 11:24 & James 1:5-6** (See lesson 3)

HOLY SPIRIT **Gal 3:14** (See lesson 4)

HEALING **James 5:14-15**  (See lesson 5)

PROSPERITY **Luke 6:38** (See lesson 6)

**WHO HAS IT?** **2 Thes 3:2** ...all men have not faith (some wicked)??

 **Gal 3:25** But after faith is come, (born again) you are no longer under a school master

  **Rom 12:3** God has dealt to every man the measure of Faith- Rom1 [Ability to believe in God & Jesus for salvation]

 [When we are born again, we have expanded capacity (soil good) for faith] That's why Jesus said you don't put new wine in old bottles

**WHAT IS IT?** Faith Believes in God & his Word

**2 Kinds of Truth:** 1) Based on God's Word **(John 17:17)**

 2) Based in what your senses tell you

**2 Kinds of Faith:** 1) Faith based on God's Word (Abraham -type)-**Rom 4:18**

 *(response to truth)* 2) Human faith, based on senses (Thomas -type)

**1 Cor 2:5** Your faith should not stand in the wisdom of man, but in the power of God

**Heb 11:1** Faith is the substance of things hoped for, evidence of things not seen [Faith brings things from the Spirit realm -where they are already real- to the natural realm where your senses can see;

 **2 Cor 4:18** While we look not at things that are seen, but at the things which are not seen, for the things that are seen are temporal, but the things that are not seen are eternal

**HOW DOES IT INCREASE?** **2 Thes 1:3 & 2 Cor 10:15** (After Being Recreated)

**Rom 10:17** Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing (UNDERSTANDING) by the Word of God

 [ Needs to be quickened by the Holy Spirit] **\*[See Matt 13:15]\***

**Jude 20** Building up yourselves, on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost

**Matt 17:21** By prayer & fasting **vs. 17** Because of **your unbelief;**

[Jesus said they could not cast out devils because of their unbelief, then he recommended prayer & fasting]

**HOW DO WE ACT?** Like we have victory, exuberant, confident, successful, with humility, be ready at all times)

**2 Cor 5:7** For we walk by faith, not by sight (appearance - senses)

**Heb 10:23** Let us hold fast to our profession of faith, without wavering (for he is faithful that promised)

**HOW DOES FAITH WORK?** By believing, Then saying & acting on what you believe

**Mrk 11:22** **HAVE FAITH IN GOD!** **11:23** Say it! **11:24** Believe it

 **Jms 2:17** Even so, faith without works (corresponding action) is dead (inoperative) **vs 23** Abraham's works=believing God, **vs 22** says "works makes faith perfect" = complete, finished;

**Gal 5:6** Faith worketh by Love

**WHAT FAITH WILL DO:**

**Manifest** **Matt 17:20** It will move mountains (your problems or needed help)

**Blessings** **Matt 8:13** Jesus to Centurion: "Go thy way, & as thou has believed, so be it done unto thee:"

 (Amphld) **Luke 7:50** Thy faith has saved thee, (woman-sinner anointing Jesus's feet)

**Manifest** **Acts 14:9** Perceiving he had faith to be healed;

**Healing:** **Matt 9:22** Woman with the Issue of Blood: "Thy faith has made thee whole;"

 **Matt 9:27** Two Blind Men: "According to your faith be it unto you:"

 **Matt 9:2**  Sick of the Palsy: "Seeing their faith;"

 **Jms 5:15** The prayer of faith shall save the sick & the Lord shall raise him up, & if he has committed sins they shall be forgiven

 **Heb 11:2** By faith the elders obtained a good report

 **Heb 4:2** The word was preached to them & you, but it did not profit them not being mixed with faith

 **Heb 12:2** Look to Jesus, the author(maker, originator) & finisher (the quality or state of being perfected)

 **Rom 3:3** (Not to others): What if some did not believe, shall their unbelief make the Word of God non-effect?