



HOW TO GROW YOUR FAITH

Liberation Sunday

2 THESSALONIANS 1:3 NKJV

We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is fitting, because your faith grows exceedingly, and the love of every one of you all abounds toward each other,

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1 PETER 2:1-2 NKJV

Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking, 2 as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow [a]thereby,

JUDE 20

But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit,

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ROMANS 12:3 NKJV

For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith.

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MATTHEW 17:20 NKJV

So Jesus said to them, “Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you

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MARK 4:40 NKJV

But He said to them, “Why are you so fearful? How[a] is it that you have no faith?”

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MATTHEW 14:31 NKJV

And immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him, and said to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?”

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MATTHEW 8:10 NKJV

When Jesus heard it, He marveled, and said to those who followed, “Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel!”

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ROMANS 4:19 NKJV

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

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MATTHEW 9:29 NKJV

*Then He touched their eyes, saying,
“According to your faith let it be to you.”*

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And not being weak in faith, he did not consider his own body, already dead (since he was about a hundred years old), and the deadness of Sarah's womb. 20 He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, 21 and being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform.

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Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace,[a] be still!" And the wind ceased and there was a great calm. 40 But He said to them, "Why are you so fearful? How[b] is it that you have no faith?"

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MATTHEW 6:28-30 NKJV

“So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; 29 and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not [a]rrayed like one of these. 30 Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?”

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4. Because faith is a living force. if it is not growing it is dying. And you cannot afford for your faith to die. Because to be without faith is to be a victim of the circumstances of life and the devil. We go from faith to faith. Rom.1:17
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ROMANS 1:17 NKJV

For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, “The just shall live by faith.”

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JAMES 1:2-4 NKJV

My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, 3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces [a]patience. 4 But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be [b]perfect and complete, lacking nothing.

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HEBREWS 6:12 NKJV

that you do not become sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

What Do You Do To Grow Your Faith?

1. Feed on the word regularly.

- a. The word of God is the seed, food and fuel of faith. Lk.8:11; Rom.10:17; Matt.4:4
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LUKE 8:11 NKJV

“Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

ROMANS 10:17

So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

MATTHEW 4:4 NKJV

But He answered and said, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.’

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JOSHUA 1:8 NKJV

This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you[a] shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

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EPHESIANS 1:17-18 NKJV

that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, 18 the eyes of your [a]understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,

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DEUTERONOMY 29:29 NKJV

“The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but those things which are revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law.”

ALTAR CALL

Lord Jesus, I am a sinner and I need you to save me. I believe you died for me and rose up on the third day that I may be justified. Today, Lord Jesus, I confess and repent of all my sins; I forsake them; forgive me Lord Jesus; come into my heart Lord Jesus; be my Lord and savior; from today I promise to serve you in the name of Jesus

Contact us – Shilohttop@gmail.com or www.shilohttop.com

Prayer 1

Father in the name of Jesus, empower me and every member of this church to invest the time and effort necessary to grow our faith continuously and baptize each one of us afresh with the spirit of wisdom and revelation so that the eyes of our understanding will be open to know you in the name of Jesus. Eph.1:17-18;

ISAIAH 61:1 NKJV

“The Spirit of the Lord God is upon Me, Because the Lord has anointed Me To preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to [a]heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the prison to those who are bound;

DEUTERONOMY 15:1 NKJV

“At the end of every seven years you shall grant a [a]release of debts.

MATTHEW 26:26-28 NKJV

And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, [a]blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." 27 Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. 28 For this is My blood of the [b]new covenant, which is shed for many for the [c]remission of sins.