THE POWER OF THE TRUTH IN A WORLD OF LIES

"And you will know the truth, and that truth will set you free" - Jesus

Faith and Truth

"God does not expect us to submit our faith to him without reason, but the very limits of reason make faith a necessity." - Augustine

Poorly Defined Faith

"I guess I'll have to take it on faith."

Without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who
comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards
those who earnestly seek him.Hebrews 11:6

Faith is NOT inversely proportional to knowledge.

Jesus teaching about faith

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"But <u>I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on</u> earth to forgive sins." So he said to the man, "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." Mark 2:10-11

The more proof you have that something is true, the greater your faith or trust in it.

Biblical faith is an active trust, based on our knowledge of the Truth.

Faith, Belief, & Trust

Now faith is <u>being sure</u> of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. Hebrews 11:1

Now while he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Festival, many people <u>saw the signs</u> he was performing and <u>believed</u> in his name. John 2:23

Our faith in God grows with thoughtful reasoning and patient practice.

"The more we depend on God, the more dependable we find he is." - Cliff Richard

Faith That Saves

1) <u>Knowledge</u> of who Christ is how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? Romans 10:14

Humanity1 John 4:2 "Jesus Christ has come in the flesh"DeityJohn 20:31 "Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God"Death1 Corinthians 15:3 "Christ died for our sins"Resurrection 1 Corinthians 15:12-14 "Christ has been raised from the dead"

2) Acceptance of Christ's work as true

This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to **come to a knowledge of <u>the truth</u>**.

1 Timothy 2:3-4

3) Trust in Christ alone for eternal salvation

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you <u>trust</u> in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13

"I am a sinner" Romans 3:23 "for all have sinned"

"Sin results in Sp. death" Romans 6:23 "the wages of sin is death,"

"Christ died for me" Romans 5:8 "Christ died for us."

"I can be saved through faith in Christ" Ephesians 2:8-9 "For it is **by grace** you have been saved, **through faith** and this is not from yourselves, it is the <u>gift of God</u> not by works, so that no one can boast."