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THE NECESSITY OF FAITH IS MET WITH THE ASSURANCE OF GOD

- **Hebrews 4:1–2 (NIV)** — **1** Therefore, since the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us be careful that none of you be found to have fallen short of it. **2** For we also have had the good news proclaimed to us, just as they did; but the message they heard was of no value to them, because they did not share the faith of those who obeyed.

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WE NEED TO PRAY IN FAITH AND BELIEF TO RECEIVE FROM THE LORD.

- *Believing Biblical faith is not in our heads, but in our hearts.*
- **Romans 10:10 (NIV) — 10** For it is **with your heart that you believe** and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.
- **Mark 11:23 (NIV) — 23** “Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, ‘Go, throw yourself into the sea,’ **and does not doubt in their heart but believes** that what they say will happen, it will be done for them.

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WHEN FAITH IS BORN IN OUR HEARTS IT BREEDS A CONFIDENT ASSURANCE

- **Hebrews 11:1 (NIV) — 1** Now faith is *confidence* in what we hope for and *assurance* about what we do not see.
- “**confidence**” = “title deed” = a form of proof of ownership.
- “**assurance**” = “evidence” “*the proof in court that results in conviction*”

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WE MUST ALLOW OUR FAITH TO GROW UNTIL WE ARE CONFIDENT AND ASSURED THAT OUR LOVED ONES WILL BE SAVED.

- **Allow the Lord to grow and enlarge you from your current faith level**
- **2 Thessalonians 1:3 (NIV) ...*“your faith is growing more and more”***

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HOW TO GROW OUR FAITH

- **Romans 10:17 (NIV) — 17** Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

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AN IMPORTANT COMPONENT TO THE MESSAGE OF GOD – ARE THE PROMISES OF GOD

- ***I.E. “The Lord Will Save All Who Call Upon His Name.”***
- This promise is a dose of positive assurance that God is willing and able to save the lost.

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- *We start with a promise from God's Word. As we meditate on that promise, the Holy Spirit infuses it with His life, causing it to grow and multiply in us. Our part is to feed on and meditate in the Word of God. The Holy Spirit's part is to cause it to grow.*
- Sheets, D. (2001). *How to Pray for Lost Loved Ones* (p. 21). Regal; Gospel Light.

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GEORGE MULLER IN -- “RELEASE THE POWER OF PRAYER”:

- *We Ask God For A Strengthened Faith*
- *The Increase Comes From God*
- *As God Becomes Known In Our Lives Thru Prayer And His Word*
- *As He Becomes Known Regarding His Character, Will And Ways*
- *These Will Work Together To Strengthen Our Faith*

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THERE ARE SCRIPTURES THAT APPLY TO EVERY SITUATION OF LIFE:

- Scripture addresses things that we are facing.
- **We find a promise and meditate on it**
- *“Biblical meditation, however, means to ponder, muse on, think about and even mutter to one’s self. In other words, it is repetitious thinking on and speaking of God’s Word. This allows the Holy Spirit to transform the Word from information in the mind to revelation of the heart.”*
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SUMMARY: WHAT WE HAVE LOOKED AT SO FAR:

- *Faith Leads To Assurance and Confidence*
- *Faith Can and Will Grow*
- *We Can and Do Focus On The Promises Of Scripture*
- *We Ask God To Do His Work In Us & Grow Our Faith*
- *We See God Answer Our Prayers*

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10 REASONS TO BELIEVE FOR YOU LOST LOVED ONES SALVATION

• *Why Pray For The Lost? It is God's Heart For Their Salvation*

1. GOD WANTS EVERYONE TO BE SAVED

2. GOD IS ABLE TO SAVE

3. SALVATION IS HIS TO GIVE

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4. HIS NAME IS SAVIOR – BECAUSE THAT IS WHAT HE DOES

5. GOD'S PASSION IS TO SAVE

***6. JESUS WAS WILLING TO LEAVE HEAVEN & BECOME
HUMAN IN ORDER TO SAVE US***

7. HE WAS ALSO WILLING TO DIE TO SAVE US

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8. GOD'S HEART IS A HEART OF MERCY FOR THE LOST

9. JESUS IS ON A MISSION HE HAS COME TO SEEK AND SAVE THE LOST

10. SALVATION IS THE CENTRAL THEME OF THE ENTIRE BIBLE

- **Titus 2:11 (NIV) — 11** For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people.
- **1 Timothy 2:3–4 (NIV) — 3b** ...God our Savior, **4** who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

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FOUNDATIONAL SCRIPTURES FOR LOST LOVED ONES

1. If We Cry Out God Hears Us And Will Answer Us:

Ps. 4:3; 17:6; Micah 7:7; Joel 2:32

2. Those Hungry For Blessings Will Receive Them From The Lord

Ps. 85:6-7; Isa 44:3

3. God Has Given Us A Ministry Of Soul Winning And A Heart For It Too

Prov. 11:30; 2 Cor 5:18-19; Mat 28:19-20; Acts 1:8

4. Powerful Prayer Is Prayer Prayed In Faith

John 15:7; 16:23-24; Acts 16:31; James 5:16

5. God's Blessing Is His Touch Of Salvation

Isa 52:10; 56:1; Luke 3:6; Titus 2:11-12; Heb 7:25

6. God Is Amazing In His Love

Ezek. 18:32; Mat 18:11,14; Luke 15:7; 2 Thes 2:13-14; 1 Tim 1:15