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# Fruit of the Spirit Pt-7 Faith

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# What is Faith?

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# faith

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*noun*

1. complete trust or confidence in someone or something.  
"this restores one's faith in politicians"

**Similar:**

trust

belief

confidence

conviction

credence

reliance



2. strong belief in God or in the doctrines of a religion, based on spiritual apprehension rather than proof.  
"bereaved people who have shown supreme faith"

**Similar:**

religion

church

sect

denomination

persuasion



# Biblical Faith

## Outline of Biblical Usage [?]

- I.* conviction of the truth of anything, belief; in the NT of a conviction or belief respecting man's relationship to God and divine things, generally with the included idea of trust and holy fervour born of faith and joined with it
  - A.* relating to God
    - i.* the conviction that God exists and is the creator and ruler of all things, the provider and bestower of eternal salvation through Christ
  - B.* relating to Christ
    - i.* a strong and welcome conviction or belief that Jesus is the Messiah, through whom we obtain eternal salvation in the kingdom of God
  - C.* the religious beliefs of Christians
  - D.* belief with the predominate idea of trust (or confidence) whether in God or in Christ, springing from faith in the same
- II.* fidelity, faithfulness
  - A.* the character of one who can be relied on



# Importance of Faith

4 And when they could not come nigh unto him for the press, they uncovered the roof where he was: and when they had broken it up, they let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay.

5 **When Jesus saw their faith**, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee.

**Mark 2:4-5 KJV**

22 And Jesus answering saith unto them, **Have faith in God.**

23 For verily I say unto you, That whosoever 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.

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

**Mark 11:22-24 KJV**

# Saving Faith Followed by Works

44 And he turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed my feet with tears, and wiped them with the hairs of her head.

45 Thou gavest me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss my feet.

46 My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment.

47 Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little.

48 And he said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven.

49 And they that sat at meat with him began to say within themselves, Who is this that forgiveth sins also?

50 And he said to the woman, Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.

**Luke 7:44-50 KJV**

# Add to your Faith

5 And beside this, giving all diligence, **add to your faith** virtue; and to **virtue knowledge;**

6 And to knowledge **temperance;** and to temperance **patience;** and to patience **godliness;**

7 And to godliness **brotherly kindness;** and to brotherly kindness **charity.**

8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

9 **But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.**

10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: **for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:**

**2 Peter 1:5-10 KJV**

# Faith as a Child

3 AND SAID, TRULY I SAY TO YOU, UNLESS YOU REPENT  
(CHANGE, TURN ABOUT) **AND BECOME LIKE LITTLE CHILDREN**  
**[TRUSTING, LOWLY, LOVING, FORGIVING]**, YOU CAN NEVER  
ENTER THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN [AT ALL].

4 **WHOEVER WILL HUMBLE HIMSELF THEREFORE AND BECOME**  
**LIKE THIS LITTLE CHILD** [TRUSTING, LOWLY, LOVING,  
FORGIVING] IS GREATEST IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.

**MATTHEW 18:3-4 AMPC**