

## I. Introduction/Review

### A. Session 1 – The Measure of Faith

### B. Session 2 – Increasing Your Measure of Faith

### C. Session 3 – Single-Minded Faith

## II. Faith Knows

### A. Faith begins where the will of God is known.

1. You cannot believe for what you do not know is available.
2. Faith must know what is available to us.
3. Faith must know what the will of God is.
  - a. The will of God pertaining to most things is found in the Word of God. The word of God is the will of God.
  - b. Things that the word of God does not reveal to us may be revealed by the Spirit in prayer – so we know how to believe.  
*Example – Direction – guidance – positional*
4. Faith is connected to knowing – “Knowledge”
  - a. **Hosea 4:6a (NKJV)** – *My people are destroyed for the lack of knowledge*
  - b. **Isaiah 5:13 (NKJV)** – *Therefore my people have gone into captivity, because they have no knowledge; their honorable men are famished, and their multitude dried up with thirst.*
  - c. **John 8:32 (NKJV)** – *And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.*
    - Know = to learn, to get a knowledge of – to perceive
    - To understand

## 5. Get understanding

- a. **Psalm 119:104 (NKJV)** – *Through your precepts I get understanding; Therefore, I hate every false way  
“Through your word, I get understanding”.*
- b. **Psalm 119:130 (NLT)** – *The teaching of your word gives light, so even the simple can understand.*
- c. **Jeremiah 3:15-16 (NKJV)** – <sup>15</sup>*And I will give you shepherds according to my heart who will feed you with knowledge and understanding.* <sup>16</sup>*Then it shall come to pass, when you are multiplied and increased in the land in those day says the Lord, that they will say no more, “The Ark of the Covenant of the Lord, It shall not come to mind, nor shall they remember it, nor shall they visit it, nor shall it be made anymore.*

***True shepherds feed the people with knowledge and understanding.***

***The results of a diet of knowledge and understanding = multiplication and increase.***

***People who stay on a diet of knowledge and understanding will be able to use their faith to produce results.***

***Jeremiah 23:4 (NKJV)*** – *I will set up shepherds over them who will feed them; and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, nor shall they be lacking,” says the LORD.*

- d. **Our faith is developed as we increase in the knowledge and understanding of our benefits in our covenant with God.**  
*Our faith must KNOW what belongs to us.*  
*Our faith must KNOW that we have a right to ask.*  
*Our faith must KNOW that God hears our prayers.*  
*Our faith must KNOW! Ignorance is the enemy of faith.*

6. Faith seeks to know and understand.

- a. **Proverbs 1:29-33 (NKJV)** – <sup>29</sup>Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD,<sup>30</sup>they would have none of my counsel and despised my every rebuke. <sup>31</sup>Therefore **they shall eat the fruit of their own way, and be filled to the full with their own fancies.** <sup>32</sup>For the turning away of the simple will slay them, and the complacency of fools will destroy them; <sup>33</sup>**but whoever listens to me will dwell safely, and will be secure, without fear of evil**
- b. **Proverbs 2:1-7 (NKJV)** – <sup>1</sup>My son, if you receive my words, and treasure my commands within you, <sup>2</sup>So that you incline your ear to wisdom, and apply your heart to understanding; <sup>3</sup>Yes, if you cry out for discernment, and lift up your voice for understanding, <sup>4</sup>if you seek her as silver, and search for her as for hidden treasures; <sup>5</sup>**Then you will understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.** <sup>6</sup>For the LORD gives wisdom; from His mouth come knowledge and understanding; <sup>7</sup>**He stores up sound wisdom for the upright;** He is a shield to those who walk uprightly

***There is a blessing proclaimed upon knowing and understanding.  
Those who SEEK to know and SEEK to understand will receive!***

- III. **Pastor's Closing Notes:** Seeking for knowledge and understanding doesn't come without a price. You must be willing to invest time and effort into KNOWING. You must take time to get to know God, His ways, His methods, His desires and more. If you are willing to invest in KNOWING, God will reward you with knowledge, wisdom and understanding. These rewards will bless every part of your life.

**Psalm 25:12-14 (NKJV)** – <sup>12</sup>Who is the man that fears the LORD? Him shall He teach in the way He chooses. <sup>13</sup>He himself shall dwell in prosperity, and his descendants shall inherit the earth. <sup>14</sup>The secret of the LORD is with those who fear Him, and He will show them His covenant.