



Walk by Faith
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What IS and What is NOT Faith

¹ *Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. - Hebrews 11: 1*

Faith was given by God for us to please Him. The moment you were born again, a desire entered you to please God. It is impossible to please Him without faith.

*And 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:

- **Optimism.** To be and live with a positive attitude is great, but faith is much more than positivity.
- **Hope.** Hope is the expectation of something good that will come in the future. You can hope all your life and nothing will change because it is not faith.
- **Knowledge.** This comes by the five senses. If you see, hear, smell, taste or feel something, you know it; you do not believe it.
- **Presumption.** When we prophesy, we do so according to the measure of faith we have. You cannot presume to raise up the dead when you do not have the faith to rebuke a headache. You need revelation to take you from one dimension to another. Revelation is what demands change so to presume is not the same as faith because faith requires revelation and conviction.

Two dimensions created by God:

- Natural Dimension: we access by means of our senses
- Supernatural Dimension: we access to by faith

Walk by Faith or by Sight

We were wired by God to believe the impossible.

God created in us an appetite for the impossible. We have two options: to walk by sight or by faith.

⁷ *For we live by faith, not by sight. - 2 Corinthians 5:7*

We live either by one or by the other. Walking by faith pleases God; walking by sight does not. If you are struggling with unemployment and/or debt, there is no better time to use your faith than now. If you go by what you hear in the news and are getting discouraged, you are not walking by faith. If you walk by sight, that will become your reality; it will become your truth and we all conform to that which is truth to us.



Many people need to be delivered from their senses because they do not see beyond their circumstances. If you are walking by sight, you will get more and more discouraged by all the bad news. You will be moved by whatever you see and that will make you less satisfied as each day goes by because you were designed to please God and you will not be able to do so when you walk by sight.

If God intended us to only walk by sight according to what is going on in our environment, why did He give us faith?

God designed us to walk in both the natural and the supernatural. Faith is not natural; it is the supernatural ability given by God to access the spiritual dimension.

If you do not accomplish your goals by faith as you were designed to, you will have dissatisfaction in your spirit even after you have done it because you did not please God as you were designed to. On the other hand, when you do things by faith and you accomplish something, you feel satisfied because you know you pleased your God and together you are making changes in your life. You feel the joy and peace that God is with you and is pleased with you.

You need to walk by faith to access the impossible, please God and be satisfied in everything you do.

Time to Walk by Faith

The times are coming when the Christians will have no choice but to live by faith alone. The news will depress you because you will see all that is going on and with rightly say, "I cannot do it; I cannot make ends meet with the situations going on in our nation." You will not be able to do it all in your strength, but faith is the supernatural ability by God to make things happen.

Faith is given by God to all of us for:

- Salvation
- As a fruit of the Spirit – to endure; faithfulness, perseverance. Galatians 5:22
- As a gift of the Spirit

Faith is NOW

Faith will not be. Faith was not. Faith IS. It is not for the future or of the past; it is for the now.

³ For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. Romans 12:3



How to Know When You are Walking by Faith

¹ *Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. - Hebrews 11: 1*

Substance is “hupostasis” which means *to place or set under*. You know you are walking in faith when you are resting, not eating your nails or busying yourself because of anxiety. If you are full of fear, you are not living by faith. You do not move by what your season is telling you but by trusting and believing in the Word of God. Are you resting?

The substance of something represents the essence of something. The broth of a chicken is not the whole chicken, but it is the substance of the whole chicken. Faith is the essence of the whole dimension of the glory, anointing and power of the supernatural. It is a taste of what your future will be. Faith is telling you that you have the substance, but not the whole thing. In the beginning, man had it all because they lived in the glory. God removed the glory and replaced it with the substance. You will never know what it feels like to be prosperous or healed if you do not walk by faith. If you wake up and say, I will get a job because the Lord will do it, you ARE walking by faith and not by sight.

Do not move by what the news says but by the Word of God. He will open a way where there is no way. So sit down and rest in the midst of the crisis, in the midst of sickness! Whenever you see someone busy and occupied in the mind and restless, tell them to relax! God is greater than your sickness and your problem. God has come today to give you hope, and even more than hope, He has come to give you faith to overcome your problem. Tell the devil he is a liar! Rest under God. Rest in believing that you will not die because of the sickness, you will not be homeless, you will not have to worry about who is going to take over your family because you cannot provide... Rest under God. Know you will have the hand of God over your life. Your provision is not from the visible dimension; it is from heaven. Take your hope away from this world and establish it in heaven! Receive the faith God is giving you now!

Evidence is “elegchos” which means *previous knowledge, conviction, proof*. You are aware of a reality ahead of its time. When you bring evidence, though you were not at the scene, it convicts as though you were.

Jesus did not go crazy when he was told that his friend Lazarus was sick and died. Jesus had faith, a conviction within Him, that he would be raised from the dead. Do not go into business with someone if you do not have a conviction to do so. Do not go to any church that you do not have a conviction for. The conviction is the title deed. You are convinced that you are healed in your body regardless of what the doctor has diagnosed. You are convinced that your marriage is restored regardless of the struggles. If you do not have the conviction, you do not have the title deed for that which you are hoping for. If you have conviction that your children will come back home and walk in the things of God, you have the title deed!



If you believe that God is your Provider, you will get a job by the end of next week. If you believe He is your Healer, by the time you finish reading this you will receive your healing. Do not let people push you to do something you do not have the conviction for. When you have the conviction that you have the power of God in you, no demon in hell can stop you. The title deed is inside of you. Sit down and believe God will do it.

Faith is Now!

Original translation of Hebrews 11:1 says, “Faith is the reality and foundation where hope lives and is established; it is the reality of all that exists in the supernatural dimension and exercises control and dominion over the things that we do not see.”

The person that walks by faith is the person that walks and exercises dominion over the invisible things because the invisible is the root of the natural things. When you exercise dominion of any generational curse, the sickness in the body will die. Walking by faith is having dominion of the spiritual dimension where God exists. We do not see it or touch it, but we have access to it when we sit down, believe and we have that conviction inside of us. Move according your conviction. Wherever your conviction is, that is where your faith is. Now is the moment where you go and open your business. Faith is not tomorrow or in the past; it is now. You have been waiting for so long to get a job and all this time you have had the conviction to open your business. Do it now!

If you want to walk in faith, disconnect your mind. When you walk by faith, numbers don't count. If you are not moving, get desperate. Increase your appetite for the impossible. Faith feeds from the impossibilities. One day, God told Noah to build an ark though he was in the desert and it had never rained before. It was unreasonable but whenever you don't understand something, disconnect your mind and walk by faith.

If you are without a job, God will open doors within the next 30 days for you to have your breakthrough. Receive it with conviction! Thank God now for your job. Go out tomorrow and take it!

If you have never received Jesus as your personal Savior, today is your day to encounter the love of Christ. You are not here by chance. We are all sinners and the wages of sin is death but God's love for us is SO great that He sent His only Son Jesus Christ to die on the cross for all of our sins so that we can enter into a relationship with Him and can access all of the blessings and promises He designed for us to have. It does not matter what you have done, where you come from, or what you may be going through, God is here to bring healing, restoration and salvation. If you have never received Jesus Christ or if you once walked with God but you turned away and you want to return to the feet of the cross, say this prayer:

Father God, I come to You recognizing that I am a sinner and my sin separates me from You. Jesus, I repent of all my sins. Forgive me. Wash me with Your blood. I accept You as my Lord and Savior. I believe You died for me and God the Father raised You from the dead. Jesus Christ, come into my heart and change me. I proclaim that You are my Lord



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and my Savior and if I were to die today, when I open my eyes I will be in your arms. In Jesus' name I pray, amen.

We want to pray for you. Contact our church and let us know that you just prayed this prayer. Connect with us so that we can pray for your needs and serve you.