

## Faith

Overview: Without FAITH, it is impossible to please God. Heb 11:6

If you can believe, all things are possible for you. Mark 9:23

#### A. What FAITH Is

- 1) Webster's Dictionary Definitions
  - Belief in and trust in and loyalty to God.
  - Belief in the traditional doctrines of a religion.
  - Something that is believed with a strong conviction.
- 2) King James Bible Definition
  - Hebrews 11:1
  - Now FAITH is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.
- 3) Amplified Bible Definition
  - 1 Timothy 1:19; Hebrews 6:12
  - Leaning of the entire human personality on God in absolute trust and confidence.

# **B.** Praying in FAITH

1) The Prayer of FAITH Mark 11:24

- 2) Three Conditions
  - You must desire them.
  - You must pray for them.
  - You must believe that you receive them at the time when you pray.

### C. How FAITH Works and Grows

1) FAITH comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.	Rom 10:17
2) Believers are destroyed by a lack of knowledge.	Hosea 4:6
3) FAITH as a mustard seed.	Luke 17:6
4) Sow the Word of God.	Mark 4:3-20, esp. 3-8 & 14

- 5) FAITH Action Plan:
  - These are steps which reflect your change in behavior as a result of believing that you have already received the answer to your prayer.
  - Visualize and embrace the answer to your prayer.

## **D.** Speaking in FAITH

1)	Heart and mouth.	Rom 10:9,10
2)	Confession/profession of FAITH.	Heb 10:23
3)	You have what you say.	Mark 11:23
4)	Calling those things that be not as though they were.	Rom 4:17
5)	Overcoming by the Blood of the Lamb and by our testimony.	Rev 12:11

#### E. Two Real-Life Testimonies

1) How **NOT** to exercise FAITH.

Example: Community Day Trip

2) How **TO EXERCISE** FAITH.

Example: Sarah and back challenge

**Recommendation:** Practice walking in faith by praying for something, then creating a FAITH Action Plan with steps which are consistent with believing that the desired item has been granted.