

Jesus: "Have the Faith of God"; Mark 11:22 Young's Literal Translation

Why do you and I need the faith of God continually, in every aspect of our lives?

Faith alone accesses God's grace: Rom 5:2 ...**We have access by faith into this grace** (What grace? God's grace of forgiveness, spiritual understanding of His word, receiving the Holy Spirit, deliverance, sanctification, healing, provision, protection and redemption).

Faith prays God's will for others: James 5:16 ...**Pray for one another...the inspired, believing prayer of a righteous person has great power and wonderful results.** TLB

Faith overcomes all of Satan's thoughts: Eph 6:16 **Above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one.** (What thoughts? Fear, doubt, reasoning, offence, un-forgiveness, disobedience and lust)

Faith from God is always more than sufficient for the path on which God leads us: Mark 9:23 **Jesus: "If you can believe, all things are possible to those who believe."**

Faith secures the salvation of our souls, our wills, from sin, so qualifying us for eternity:
1 Peter 1:9 **Receiving the end of your faith — the salvation of your souls.**

Is God alone really the one source of this faith? Yes, it comes to us through Jesus Christ

2 Cor 3:4 ...**We have such trust through** (meaning, in and by) **Christ toward God.**

Heb 12:2 **Looking** (with the eyes of our heart) **unto Jesus** (to God's living words and to the leading of His Spirit – Himself) **the source and increaser of our faith...**

How does God actually impart to us faith to absolutely trust Him, in and by Jesus Christ?

Rom 10:17 **So then faith comes by hearing** (with our hearts and not with our heads), **and hearing** (and continuing to hear) **the word of God** (spoken to us personally by His Spirit, directly or through another person - His word that we hear is His faith).

2 Co 4:13 **We** (are to) **have the same Spirit of faith...**(God's Spirit we yield to is His faith)

Jude 20 ...**Building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit** (our own spirit and the Holy Spirit in open communion, without ceasing - 1 Co 2:14)

What are the chief characteristics of Christians who let God impart ever increasing faith?

Righteousness (sin-freeness): Isa 32:17 ...**The result of righteousness will be... confident trust** (toward God) **forever** AMP (for the obedience of faith-Rom 16:26 KJV)

Humility (God-willed not self-willed, pride): 1 Pet 5:6-7 **Humble yourselves under the mighty hand** (word) **of God...casting all your care** (your worries about what you're going to do) **upon Him, because** (you believe that) **He takes good care of you.**

John 5:44 **Jesus: How can you believe, who receive honor from one another** (pride), **and do not seek the honor that comes from the one true God** (humility)?

Hab 2:4 **Behold the proud, their soul is not right in them; But** (only) **the righteous will** (be enabled by God to) **live by their faith** (the lovely fruitful Christian life).