

The Foundation of Faith is Trust and Belief

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I have just been rolling some thoughts over in my mind about faith. Most of us will say, I have faith, but most of us that say we have faith will have to admit, at times when we have used it, it did not work for us. I don't know about you, but I have prayed for people that died, even though I stood on what I thought was faith. Most of us usually lose our confidence, and began to wonder why our faith did not work for us at the time that we needed it the most for others. So I am taking the liberty to write about what I have found out about faith in my own studies. First, the two **foundations of faith**, are **trust**, and **belief**. If one does not have trust, and belief, it is impossible to have faith. Well one thing I found out is, faith is the title deed for what you want, or for what you are asking for from God. Most of us that have ever bought a home, know, you must pay for your home first before you get the title deed to it. But in Christ you must believe you have the title deed before you get the house, and trust God has already worked it out before you see any evidence of the home. So, can you see, if trust, and belief, are not in place, faith will not work for you, or me. It can not work without its foundations. I am not looking for excuses why faith is not working, I am looking for ways to activate what I know God said we have in us. Hebrews 12:2

“Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of *our* faith; who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.” So I know Jesus is the author, and finisher of my faith, so my job is to trust Him, and believe He has done what He said He did on the cross on my behalf, and yours. So my conclusion is faith is so simple, we have missed it, because we have made it so difficult for ourselves. Faith is not a work that we have to work up, faith is trusting, and believing, that Jesus has done every thing we will ever need at Calvary's Cross. Well lets look at some scriptures on trust, and belief or believe, lets go.

Matthews 12:17-21 KJV

17 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,

18 Behold My servant, whom I have chosen; My beloved, in whom My soul is well pleased: I will put My Spirit upon Him, and He shall shew judgment to the Gentiles.

19 He shall not strive, nor cry; neither shall any man hear His voice in the streets.

20 A bruised reed shall He not break, and smoking flax shall He not quench, till He send forth judgment unto victory.

21 **And in His name shall the Gentiles trust.**

Romans 15:8-12 KJV

8 Now I say that Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for **the truth of God**, to confirm the promises *made* unto the fathers:

9 And that the Gentiles might glorify God for *His* mercy; as it is written, For this cause I will confess to thee among the Gentiles, and sing unto Thy Name.
10 And again He saith, Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with His people.
11 And again, Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles; and laud Him, all ye people.
12 And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and He that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles; **in Him shall the Gentiles trust.**

2 Corinthians 1:9-13 KJV

9 But we had the sentence of death in ourselves, **that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God which raiseth the dead:**
10 Who delivered us from so great a death, **and doth deliver:** in whom **we trust that He will yet deliver us;**
11 Ye also helping together by prayer for us, that for the gift *bestowed* upon us by the means of many persons thanks may be given by many on our behalf.
12 For our rejoicing is this, the testimony of our conscience, **that in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God,** we have had our conversation in the world, and more abundantly to you-ward.
13 For we write none other things unto you, than what ye read or acknowledge; and **I trust ye shall acknowledge even to the end;**

2 Corinthians 3:2-5 KJV

2 **Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men:**
3 *Forasmuch as ye are* manifestly declared to be the **epistle of Christ** ministered by us, **written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God;** not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart.
4 **And such trust have we through Christ to God-ward:**
5 Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; **but our sufficiency is of God;**

I Timothy 4:6-9 KJV

6 If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained.
7 But refuse profane and old wives' fables, and exercise thyself *rather* unto godliness.
8 For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.
9 This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation.
10 For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, **because we trust in the living God,** who is the Savior of all men, specially of those that believe.

I Timothy 6:17-19 KJV

17 Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, **nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;**

8 That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate;

19 Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, **that they may lay hold on eternal life.**

We must learn to trust the true, and living God of the universe, of the heavens, and the earth. What am I trusting? That Jesus was sent by God to die for me, and took my sins upon His own self, and my pain, my sickness, and my diseases'. It was such an exchange that took place for me, and you on the cross. And I trust, and believe that it actually took place for me, and you **Hallelujah!!!!** We must believe John 10:10 **The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I (Jesus) am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. Hallelujah!!!!!!!!!!**

So there is a trust factor involved in faith, but we must not forget the belief factor as well. We must trust, and believe before faith can take its place, and act on our behalf.

Now belief must come with or **in the way of simplicity, godliness and sincerity**, in what Jesus has already done, on behalf of you, and me, on the cross, that great exchange that took place on Calvary. Well lets take time to look at the meaning of simplicity, godliness, and sincerity. Simplicity means, "A lack of complexity, the lack of difficulty, without complication, or embellishment." Godliness means, The qualities of God's Divine Life Zoë, is active inside of you. Sincerity means, Being honest in thought, and deed, being genuine in all things. Sincerity is also a way of seeking something, or someone. So my conclusion is this, Simplicity leads us to trust Christ in all things. Godliness is God's Divine nature living inside of us. With sincerity, and truth, I must seek, and learn about my God. Now the question is, do you believe? I do believe, yes I believe, and trust that God's Divine nature is alive inside of me, and I will continue seeking, and learning, and become conscious of what Jesus Christ has already done for me on Calvary's Cross. Well one thing I can say, is you can not have faith in a God you do not trust, and believe in. Well lets look at some more scriptures on belief or believe, lets go.

Mark 1:15 KJV

15 **And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.**

Mark 9:23, 42 KJV

- 23 Jesus said unto him, **If thou canst believe, all things *are* possible to him that believeth.**
- 42 **And whosoever shall offend one of *these* little ones that believe in Me, it is better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were cast into the sea.**

Romans 3:3-4 KJV

- 3 **For what if some did not believe?** shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect?
- 4 God forbid: yea, **let God be true,** but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged.

Romans 3:19-24 KJV

- 19 Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith **to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.**
- 20 Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall **no flesh be justified in His sight:** for **by the law is the knowledge of sin.**
- 21 **But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested,** being witnessed by the law and the prophets;
- 22 Even the righteousness of God *which is* **by faith of Jesus Christ** unto all and **upon all them that believe:** for there is no difference:
- 23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;
- 24 **Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:**

Romans 4:3-8 KJV

- 3 For what saith the scripture? Abraham **believed** God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness.
- 4 Now to him that worketh is the reward **not reckoned of grace, but of debt.**

- 5 But to him that worketh not, **but believeth on Him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness.**
- 6 Even as David also describeth the blessedness of the man, unto whom **God imputeth righteousness without works,**
- 7 *Saying,* Blessed *are* they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered.
- 8 **Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin.**

Galatians 3:21-28 KJV

- 21 *Is the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for **if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law.***
- 22 But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the **promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.**
- 23 **But before faith came,** we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed.
- 24 Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster **to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.**
- 25 **But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.**
- 26 **For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.**
- 27 For as many of you as **have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.**
- 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: **for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.**

II Corinthians 4:13-18 KJV

- 13 We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, **I believed,** and therefore have I spoken; **we also believe, and therefore speak;**
- 14 **Knowing that He which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you.**
- 15 For all things *are* for your sakes, that **the abundant grace** might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.
- 16 For which cause we faint not; **but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day.**
- 17 For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding *and* eternal weight of glory;
- 18 **While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but**

the things which are not seen *are* eternal.

I Timothy 4:10-12 KJV

10 For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, **because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, specially of those that believe.**

11 These things command and teach.

12 Let no man despise thy youth; but **be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.**

Mark 11:22-24 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 16:15-18 KJV

15 And he said unto them, **Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.**

16 **He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.**

17 **And these signs shall follow them that believe; In My Name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;**

18 **They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.**

So now we can see Faith does have two foundations, and principles, called trust, and belief. If you do not believe, you cannot receive. If you do not trust, you will not believe. Who, or what do you trust, and believe in, to have faith in? And is it working for you an eternal life of glory, forever, and ever Amen. Is your faith causing you to believe, and trust, that God's Divine nature is alive inside of you, and will it cause you to continue seeking, and learning, and becoming conscious of what Jesus Christ has already done for you on Calvary's Cross. Faith is more

than just words one says to have hope in. True faith, comes from a Divine word from God. We are going to look at the word faith now; and see if we can put this perspective all together to get the right perception of what we are trying to accomplish in this reading, and walking this true faith out. Lets look at some scriptures we have probably seen all of our lives, but lets see what they really mean. There is a phrase in the Bible that is listed four times in four different places. Lets take a look, shall we.

Habakkuk 2:3-4 KJV

3 **For the vision is yet for an appointed time**, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.

4 Behold, his soul *which* is lifted up is not upright in him: **but the just shall live by his faith.**

Romans 1:16-17 KJV

16 **For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ:** for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

17 For therein is **the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith:** as it is written, **The just shall live by faith.**

Galatians 3:9-13 KJV

9 **So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.**

10 For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, **Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.**

11 **But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.**

12 **And the law is not of faith:** but, The man that doeth them shall live in them.

13 **Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:**

Hebrews 10:36-39 KJV

- 36 For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.
- 37 For yet a little while, and He that shall come will come, and will not tarry.
- 38 **Now the just shall live by faith:** but if *any man* draw back, **My soul shall have no pleasure in him.**
- 39 But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; **but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.**

So we can see “**The just shall live by Faith**” four times in four different places. This is a command, not a suggestion. Either you do it, or you don’t, there is a blessing, or a curse, which way will you have it, its your choice. Its not going to change for you, it will remain the same, live by faith, and be blessed, or live by the law, and be cursed if you can not fulfill the **whole book of the law**. That is 613 laws in the book you have to continually keep all the days of your life, every second of your life, and the moment you fail in one you are guilty of all 613 of them. **I think I will stick to faith by grace in Christ Jesus, thank you.** So lets look at, where does faith come from, and what faith is, since I have to have it.

Romans 10:13-17 KJV

- 13 **For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.**
- 14 How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?
- 15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!
- 16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. **For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report?**
- 17 **So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.**

— Hebrews 11:1-6 KJV

- 1 **Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.**
- 2 For by it the elders obtained a good report.
- 3 Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed **by the word of God**, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

4 By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh.

5 By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

6 **But without faith it is impossible to please Him:** for he that cometh to God **must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.**

Now Romans 10:17 uses **hearing by the word of God.** While Hebrews 11:3 says the worlds were framed **by the word of God.** Now the word of God takes on the same meaning in these two passages here. Number one, **hearing by the word of God.** Number two the worlds were framed **by the word of God.** The word, word here is a **Rhema word which means “An utterance from God”** G4487 Strong’s Hebrew and Greek Dictionaries. However, there is another meaning for the word, word, it is a **Logos word meaning “something said, A Divine Expression”**. G3056 Strong’s Hebrew and Greek Dictionaries. Now the expression of this word used as Logos is found in **Matthews 8:16** **“When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His word, and healed all that were sick:”** So we can see faith must come from a Rhema word from God, an utterance from the Lord God, Jesus, or the Holy Spirit. So can I get a Rhema word from the bible? Yes you can, if God is speaking it to you, Logos, can become Rhema, when it is joined with the Holy Spirit of God **Hallelujah!!!!!!**

Which means you can read, or hear a preached word that is Logos, something said, A Divine Expression of God, but it won’t become Rhema until it is joined to the Holy Spirit who has the title deed of our faith, and the birthing license, and permit for what ever it is we are believing for if it is uttered by God, to our spirit. When you get time read the faith chapter Hebrews 11, you will see all the Fathers of faith before us, got a word from God before they could have faith to do what they had faith for, take a look for yourself. Well before we go on lets look at Isaiah 55:8-11 and Psalms 119:89 they back up what is being said here, lets go.

Isaiah 55: 8-11 KJV

8 For my thoughts *are* not your thoughts, neither *are* your ways my ways, saith the LORD.

9 For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

10 For *as* the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:

11 So shall My Word be that goeth forth out of My Mouth: it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

Psalms 119:89 **For ever, O LORD, Thy Word is settled in heaven.**

Now the word, My word, and Thy word, in the Old Testament has a different meaning all together. **Dadar(daw'bawr) meaning a word by implication, about a matter, or an affair.** H1697 Strong's Hebrew and Greek Dictionaries. So we can see God Himself said **"So shall My Word be that goeth forth out of My Mouth: it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it"** So we know God does speak words to us, from His own Mouth. And if you believe, and trust, that He has given us the title deed, which is faith, we will have, and get exactly what God spoke. Because "His word shall not return unto Him void, but it shall accomplish all that, which pleases Him, and it shall prosper *in the thing* whereto He sent it." Sounds like to me, His word is going, and returning to Him with life, and accomplishment, but if we want that life, and accomplishment, we must receive His word in our lives with the title deed, faith, before we can have the **substance**, and the **evidence of things not seen Hallelujah!!!!!!** Now Psalms 119:89 speak for its self, **"For ever, O LORD, Thy Word is settled in heaven"**. God's Word, His implication about a matter, or an affair, is already settled in the heavens, but it needs to be received, and carried out in the earth. Heaven has it, but we in the earth are waiting to receive it, **By faith in Jesus Christ**, and His finished work on the cross **Hallelujah!!!!!!** So now we know where faith comes from, and that we must have faith, and we know what faith is, lets look at some more scriptures about faith, shall we?

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Ephesians 2:6-8 KJV

6 And hath raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus:

7 That in the ages to come He might shew the exceeding riches of His grace in *His* kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

8 **For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:**

Romans 3:28-30 KJV

28 Therefore we conclude that **a man is justified by faith** without the deeds of the law.

29 *Is He* the God of the Jews only? *is He* not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also:

30 Seeing *it is* one God, which shall justify the **circumcision by faith, and uncircumcision through faith.**

Romans 5:1-9 KJV

- 1 Therefore **being justified by faith,** we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:
- 2 By whom also **we have access by faith into this grace** wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.
- 3 And not only so, but **we glory in tribulations** also: knowing that **tribulation worketh patience;**
- 4 And **patience, experience;** and **experience, hope:**
- 5 **And hope maketh not ashamed;** because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts **by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.**
- 6 For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.
- 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.
- 8 **But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.**
- 9 Much more then, **being now justified by His Blood,** we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

Romans 10:8-13 KJV

- 8 But what saith it? The **word is nigh** thee, *even* in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, **the word of faith,** which we preach;
- 9 **That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.**
- 10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.
- 11 For the scripture saith, **Whosoever believeth on Him shall not be ashamed.**
- 12 For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him.
- 13 **For whosoever shall call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved.**

So we can see that we are **justified by faith;** we have **access by faith into grace.**

For by grace are **ye saved through faith;** everything here points to Jesus. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth

confession is made unto salvation. Now salvation is another word that is misunderstood. Salvation, soteria (so tay ree' ah) meaning **rescued physically, and spiritually**. We are delivered from all our sins, sicknesses, iniquities, and diseases, G4991 Strong's Hebrew and Greek Dictionaries. Salvation means **wholeness in every area of our lives Hallelujah!!!!!!** Do you believe you have, and received your salvation, your wholeness in every area of your life? Do you have faith in the finished work of the cross of Christ? Do you believe you have the title deed, before you receive what you are hoping for. Everything in Christ Jesus has been paid for at Calvary, His part is finished. We however must learn how to access it by faith, by believing, and trusting, in the finished work on the cross of our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ. Now the question is, do we really believe, and trust, that the finished work at the cross is finished? Do we believe, and trust, and have faith, that everything that was done at Calvary, will work for us?

Lord Jesus, we thank You for Your stripes, that You took for us, for with Your stripes, we are the healed. Lord Jesus, we thank You for Your shed Blood at Calvary, that makes us the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus, and presents us perfect in the sight of God. Lord Jesus, thank You for the Cross You endured for us, You took all our sins, pains, sickness, and illnesses, You took our poverty, our shame, and our guilt, and our iniquities, upon Yourself. You also gave us, health, and wealth, peace, and Your glory, You exchanged Your life, for ours. Thank You for the Zoë life, God's own life being living in us Hallelujah!!!!!! Thank You Lord Jesus for Your Death, Burial, and Resurrection, that gives us access to Your very Nature, living, and taking over our very being, as we believe more, and more on the finished work of the Cross. And Lord Jesus, thank you for the Holy Spirit, that seals us till the day of Jesus Christ' coming, for it is Christ in us that is our hope of glory. And thank You very much Lord Jesus, that the work You started in us, You, Yourself will complete it in us, until You come back for us. I believe I am in good Hands, my total hope, faith, and trust, and belief, is in what You have already done for me, and the whole world, if they can believe. Lord Jesus, I believe, please help any area in my life where there is unbelief, in the Name of Jesus I pray, Amen.

Peace out G. B. one of God's sons