



The Purpose of Faith

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- We either abuse it or we don't use it.
- Too many Christians attempt to accept the Christian life without understanding and receiving the necessary requirements to become a true Believer. One of those requirements is Faith!
- The correct understanding and implementation of Faith is paramount to a successful and meaningful relationship in Christ.

Purpose of Faith: Faith needs Hope

Hebrews 11:1 New King James Version

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

- SUBSTANCE, noun [Latin substantia, substō; sub and stō, to stand.]
 - 1. In a general sense, being; something existing by itself; that which really is or exists; equally applicable to matter or spirit. Thus the soul of man is called an immaterial substance a cogitative substance a substance endued with thought.

Substance / Evidence

- Flour
- Sugar
- Butter
- Milk
- Eggs
- Leavening Agents (Baking Soda, Baking Powder & Yeast)
- Cocoa Powder

Hope / Not seen but seen



Purpose of Faith: We live by it

2 Corinthians 5:7 New International Version

For we live by faith, not by sight.

Habakkuk 2:4 New King James Version

“Behold the proud, His soul is not upright in him; But the just shall live by his faith.

Purpose of Faith: To use what God has given us in Serving

Romans 12:3-4 Amplified Bible

3 For by the grace [of God] given to me I say to everyone of you not to think more highly of himself [and of his importance and ability] than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment, as **God has apportioned to each a degree of faith [and a purpose designed for service]**. 4 For just as in one [physical] body we have many parts, and these parts do not all have the same function or special use,

- It is impossible to live a good Christian life without Faith

Purpose of Faith: To please God

Hebrews 11:6 New International Version

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.

Purpose of Faith: Grow your personal trust and confidence in Christ

Matthew 9:28-30 Amplified Bible

28 When He went into the house, the blind men came up to Him, and Jesus said to them, “Do you believe [with a deep, abiding trust] that I am able to do this?” They said to Him, “Yes, Lord.” 29 Then He touched their eyes, saying, “**According to your faith [your trust and confidence in My power and My ability to heal] it will be done to you.**” 30 And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them: “See that no one knows this!”

Luke 8:48 Amplified Bible

He said to her, “Daughter, **your faith [your personal trust and confidence in Me] has made you well.** Go in peace (untroubled, undisturbed well-being).”

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2 Corinthians 9:6-8 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition

6 [Remember] this: he who sows sparingly and grudgingly will also reap sparingly and grudgingly, and he who sows generously [that blessings may come to someone] will also reap generously and with blessings. 7 **Let each one [give] as he has made up his own mind and purposed in his heart,** not reluctantly or sorrowfully or under compulsion, for God loves (He takes pleasure in, prizes above other things, and is unwilling to abandon or to do without) a cheerful (joyous, “prompt to do it”) giver [whose heart is in his giving]. 8 And God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation].