Lesson 2 – How to Have Faith

1) What is a prerequisite for pleasing the Lord?

Hebrews 11:6 > "But ______ *it is* ______ 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."

NOTE: If it is impossible to please God without faith, then faith must be very important.

2) How much faith has God dealt to human beings?

Romans 12:3 > "For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think *of himself* more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to _____ the _____ of _____."

NOTE: The Bible teaches that everyone has been given a measure of faith. We need to improve on the measure of faith that God has given and learn how we should exercise it.

3) How do we obtain more faith?

Romans 10:17 > "So then _____ by hearing, and hearing by the _____ of ____."

NOTE: As we spend time in God's Word, our faith will increase in proportion to the time we spend in His Word.

4) What happens when we exercise the faith that we have?

Mark 11:22-24 > "And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have ______ in God. For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this _______, 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. Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive *them*, and ye shall have *them*."

NOTE: When we exercise the faith that we have, we will find, if it is the will of God, that mountains of difficulty will be removed.

5) What is faith based on?

Hebrews 11:1 > "Now ______ is the ______ of things hoped for, the ______

of things not seen."

NOTE: The faith mentioned in the Bible is not a blind faith, but a faith based upon evidence. God does not expect His children to have faith if they do not have sufficient evidence to base it on.

6) When are we benefited by God's Word?

Hebrews 4:2 > "For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached _____, not being _____ with _____ in them that heard *it*."

NOTE: The Word of God can be read in such a way that it doesn't bring any spiritual benefit. It must be mixed with faith. It also must be applied to the life of the reader.

7) What will true faith lead us to do?

1 John 5:14 > "And this is the ______ that we have in ____, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:"

NOTE: True faith breeds confidence in what God can do. The opposite is also true. If a person does not have faith, he does not have confidence in what God can do. Therefore, the Christian must continue to spend time in God's Word, and talking to Him in prayer.

8) How can we see faith?

Luke 5:20 > "And when he _____ their _____, he said unto him, Man, thy sins are forgiven thee."

NOTE: Faith is seen in action. When one is actively seeking to please the Lord, by following the Word of God, there is faith.

9) What part does faith play in our salvation?

Ephesians 2:8-9 > "For by grace are ye saved through _____; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast."

NOTE: It is by faith that we believe in the free gift of salvation.

10) What should a Christian live by?

Galatians 2:20 > "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the ______ of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me." NOTE: We are to live by faith. We are to live as if we are in the very presence of God, for we are actually living in His presence.

11) How do we inherit the promises of God?

Hebrews 6:12 > "That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through _____ and _____ the promises."

NOTE: Once again we see just how important faith is. It is through faith and patience that the promises of God are embraced.

12) What must accompany faith in order for the faith to be genuine?

James 2:17 > "Even so _____, if it hath not _____, is ____, being ____."

NOTE: It is not enough for someone to say that they have faith. That faith must be seen by his works. If a person has genuine faith, works will naturally follow.

13) How is it that we overcome the allurements of this present world?

1 John 5:4 > "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, *even* our _____."

NOTE: Our faith is absolutely vital in overcoming this world. In fact, it is impossible without faith. From this study it has been very evident how important faith is. Faith penetrates every crevice of our experience with Jesus.

IS IT YOUR DESIRE...

To seek to grow in faith by feeding on God's Word? Yes or No