



*Now to the One who is able to do beyond all things, superabundantly beyond and over and above those things that we are asking for ourselves and considering, **in the measure of the power which is operative in us**, to Him be the glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus into all the generations of the age of the ages. Amen. Ephesians 3:20-21 (Wuest)*

### **I. The God Given Capacity to Believe**

*God has dealt to every man the measure of faith. Romans 12:3*

Our faith is a gift from God that every child of God possesses.

God has dealt to every person "the" measure of faith, not "a" measure of faith. There are not different measures with God. (Romans 2:11)

*"Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see." Hebrews 11:1*

### **II. It is Up to Us to Apply and Grow Our Faith**

*We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is fitting, because **your faith grows exceedingly**, and the love of every one of you all abounds toward each other. 2 Thessalonians. 1:3*

*When we accept God's invitation to walk by faith, we are accepting God's ability not ours.*

### **III. Understanding How to Use Your Faith In God**

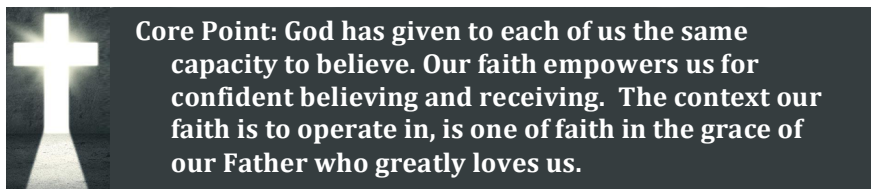
**The understanding and application of how our faith works is vital to the Christian life.** Hebrews 11:6

**A. Get your mind working with your heart.** Romans 10:9-10

**B. Understand faith and grace work together.**

*Therefore, the promise is based on faith, so that it may be a matter of grace and may be guaranteed for all of Abraham's descendants. Rom. 4:16*

We need to make a much more solid connection of how His abundant grace and **our faith should be inseparably joined.**



Our faith releases grace so that it is not our power but God's which moves every **mountain.** Zechariah 4:6-7

We ourselves will come to points of discouragement and stalled progress. We, like Zerubbabel, continually need to confront barriers **with recognition of God's grace** to bring breakthrough to our lives and circumstances.

### **C. Our faith releases authority in the unseen realm.**

*While we do not look at the things **which are seen, but at the things which are not seen.** For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things **which are not seen are eternal.** 2 Corinthians 4:18*

***If you can see it, it can be changed!***

Faith comes from **hearing** not seeing. Rom. 10:17

Bible faith comes by HEARING. The doorway to your faith is your ears. **Faith comes by repetitive hearing and not just hearing, but hearing the Word (rhema) of God.**

The Greek word that describes Scripture in Romans 10:17 is *rhema*, which refers to a word that is spoken and means "an utterance." **A rhema is a verse or portion of Scripture that the Holy Spirit brings to our attention with application to a current situation or need for direction.**

*"And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, **which is the word [rhema] of God.**" Ephesians 6:17*

*"If you abide in me, **and my words [rhema] abide in you, you shall ask what you will, and it shall be done unto you.**" John 15:7*

### **D. True faith prepares for the manifestation.** Hebrews 11:7

When we receive the answer by faith we have corresponding **actions** that accompany our believing.

### **E. Our faith in God will always give thanks to Him in advance.**

*Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, **with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.** Philippians 4:6*

### **F. Stand strong in your faith.**

*Be on guard. **Stand firm in the faith.** Be courageous. Be strong. 1 Corinthians 16:13*

