

Faith Made Simple — Summary

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Section 1: What is Faith?

- Faith means complete trust or confidence in someone/something.
- Biblical faith = trust in God's Word and Jesus' finished work.
- Belief alone isn't enough; trust completes faith.
- Faith is personal ("the just shall live by his faith").
- True righteousness = right standing with God, received by faith in Jesus, not by works or feelings.

Section 2: How Do We Get Faith?

- Faith comes by hearing the Word of God, specifically about Jesus (Romans 10:17).
- New Covenant faith centers on Jesus' sacrifice, blood, and promises.
- Hearing vague messages about "God" or motivational talks does not produce faith that pleases God.
- Faith grows when we hear about Jesus' identity, victory, and benefits (healing, prosperity, deliverance).
- All promises of God are "Yes and Amen" in Christ (2 Corinthians 1:20).
- Faith is not human willpower but confidence in what Jesus has already accomplished.

Section 3: How Do We Stay in Faith?

- Faith must be continually nourished, like a battery that needs recharging.
- Stay connected to Jesus through:
 - Ongoing hearing of the Word.
 - Prayer, especially praying in the Spirit (Jude 1:20).
 - Keeping focus on Jesus, the “author and finisher of our faith” (Hebrews 12:2).
- Faith is sustained by ongoing connection to Jesus, His Word, and His Spirit.
- Practical advice: listen daily to teachings about Jesus (healing, prosperity, salvation) to keep faith strong.