

“Taking Faith into a Dark World”

Learning the Kingdom Language of Faith

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“You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden.

¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:14-16

Christ-followers bear the Light of Christ as we speak/live Faith, Hope and Love. Our quest to better speak Faith has led us to:

- **a Proper Definition:**

“Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.” Hebrews 11:1

- **Reason for Faith’s Importance:**

“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.” Hebrews 11:6

- **We have revisited the Biblical Perspective of God**
- **We have seen how Faith & Love should & shouldn’t look**

We’ve worked get Faith more clearly in our minds and now we are ready to the next step: **God is saying “Trust Me”!**

Today, let’s explore the experience of Trusting God:

- **The Journey of Trust always begins with a step into the _____!**

“Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; ⁶ in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight” Proverbs 3:5-6

- **The more familiar we are with _____, the more confident we will be to Trust!**

“My son, **do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart,** ² for they will prolong your life many years and bring you peace and prosperity.” Proverbs 3:1-2

“Blessed are those who find **wisdom, those who gain understanding,** ¹⁴ for she is more profitable than silver and yields better returns than gold. ¹⁵ She is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with her.” Proverbs 3:13-15

A great place to get a refresher of God’s Voice: Matthew 5-7 **Sermon on the Mount addresses:**

Kingdom Values,
Kingdom Practices,
Prayer,
Kingdom Warnings,
Kingdom Priorities!

- **Why Trust can only be experienced by _____?**

“My son, do not let wisdom and understanding out of your sight, preserve sound judgment and discretion; ²² they will be life for you, an ornament to grace your neck. ²³ Then you will go on your way in safety, and your foot will not stumble.” Proverbs 3:21-23

“The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing. ² **He makes** me lie down in green pastures, **he leads** me beside quiet waters, ³ **he refreshes** my soul. **He guides** me along the right paths for his name’s sake. ⁴ Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, **for you are with me; your rod and your staff,** they comfort me.” Psalm 23:1-4

All Scriptures are from the New International Version.

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