

**Bookend:**  
The  
Righteousnes  
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of Christ:

Romans 1:16-17

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. [17] For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

**FAITH.** n. [L. fides, fido, to trust; Gr. to persuade, to draw towards any thing, to conciliate; to believe, to obey. In the Greek Lexicon of Hederic it is said, the primitive signification of the verb is to bind and draw or lead, as signifies a rope or cable. But this remark is a little incorrect. The sense of the verb, from which that of rope and binding is derived, is to strain, to draw, and thus to bind or make fast. A rope or cable is that which makes fast. Heb.]

1. Belief; the assent of the mind to the truth of what is declared by another, resting on his authority and veracity, without other evidence; the judgment that what another states or testifies is the truth. I have strong faith or no faith in the testimony of a witness, or in what a historian narrates.
2. The assent of the mind to the truth of a proposition advanced by another; belief, or probable evidence of any kind.
3. In theology, the assent of the mind or understanding to the truth of what God has revealed. Simple belief of the scriptures, of the being and perfections of God, and of the existence, character and doctrines of Christ, founded on the testimony of the sacred writers, is called historical or speculative faith; a faith little distinguished from the belief of the existence and achievements of Alexander or of Cesar.
4. Evangelical, justifying, or saving faith, is the assent of the mind to the truth of divine revelation, on the authority of God's testimony, accompanied with a cordial assent of the will or approbation of the heart; an entire confidence or trust in God's character and declarations, and in the character and doctrines of Christ, with an unreserved surrender of the will to his guidance, and dependence on his merits for salvation. In other words, that firm belief of God's testimony, and of the truth of the gospel, which influences the will, and leads to an entire reliance on Christ for salvation.

Being justified by faith. Rom. 5.

Without faith it is impossible to please God. Heb. 11.

For we walk by faith, and not by sight. 2Cor. 5.

With the heart man believeth to righteousness. Rom. 10.

The faith of the gospel is that emotion of the mind, which is called trust or confidence, exercised towards the moral character of God, and particularly of the Savior.

Faith is an affectionate practical confidence in the testimony of God.

Faith is a firm, cordial belief in the veracity of God, in all the declarations of his word; or a full and affectionate confidence in the certainty of those things which God has declared, and because he has declared them.

5. The object of belief; a doctrine or system of doctrines believed; a system of revealed truths received by christians. They heard only, that he who persecuted us in times past, now preacheth the faith which once he destroyed. Gal. 1.

6. The promises of God, or his truth and faithfulness.

shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect? Rom. 3.

7. An open profession of gospel truth. Your faith is spoken of throughout the whole world. Rom. 1.

8. A persuasion or belief of the lawfulness of things indifferent.

Hast thou faith? Have it to thyself before God. Rom 14.

9. Faithfulness; fidelity; a strict adherence to duty and fulfillment of promises.

Her failing, while her faith to me remains, I would conceal. Children in whom is no faith. Deut. 32.

10. Word or honor pledged; promise given; fidelity. He violated his plighted faith.

For you alone I broke my faith with injured Palamon.

11. Sincerity; honesty; veracity; faithfulness. We ought in good faith, to fulfill all our engagements.

12. Credibility or truth. Unusual.] The faith of the foregoing narrative

**Bookend:**

The Power  
of the  
Holy Spirit:

Ephesians

3:16-19

That He would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man; [17] That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, [18] May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; [19] And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.

Following After: Rom 8:4-5; 9:30; 14:19; One27: Gen 1:27; PhOne27; James 1:27; Better Way: 1 Cor 12:27, 31; Heb 7:20; 8:6; 9:10-11.

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2 Peter 1:5-7 KJV And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; [6] And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; [7] And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

Galatians 5:22-23 KJV But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, [23] Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

The following is a list of imperatives/commandments that Jesus spoke to His disciples in Matthew; the New Testament uses indicative statements when discussing what God has done, is doing or will do. Imperative statements are used when saying what we should do. It is important to realize, not only that both moods are present in the Bible, but that there is a specific relationship between these two moods in the area of sanctification. Namely, what God commands us to do (the imperative) is based upon what HE has done, is doing or will do (the indicatives). God is signifying by this consistent pattern that sanctification depends on God, but involves human volition and cooperation. The gospel of Matthew:

<p>4:4, Live by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.</p> <p>4:7, Tempt not the Lord thy God.</p> <p>4:10, Worship the Lord thy God..</p> <p>4:10, Serve only the Lord thy God.</p> <p>4:17, Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.</p> <p>4:19, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.</p> <p>5:3, Be humble, spiritually bankrupt apart from God (Be lost and hopeless apart from divine grace)</p> <p>5:4, Be mourning over sin, the godly sorrow that produces repentance leading to salvation.</p> <p>5:5, Be gentle and meek, having self-control empowered by the Spirit.</p> <p>5:6, Be thirsting after right relationship with God.</p> <p>5:7, Be merciful.</p> <p>5:8, Be pure in heart.</p> <p>5:9, Be peacemakers.</p> <p>5:11-12, Rejoice and be exceeding glad:</p> <p>5:16, Let Your Light Shine</p> <p>5:17, Honor God's Law</p> <p>5:19b, Do and teach the commandments.</p> <p>5:23-25, Be Reconciled</p> <p>5:28-30, Do Not Lust</p> <p>5:37, Keep Your Word</p> <p>5:38-42, Go the Second Mile</p> <p>5:44-46, Love Your Enemies</p> <p>5:46-48, Be Perfect</p> <p>6:1-18, Do Diligent Disciplines of Service, Prayer and Fasting</p> <p>6:19-20: "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal."</p> <p>6:25: .....Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?"</p> <p>6:33, Seek 1st the kingdom of God</p> <p>7:1-3, Judge Not</p> <p>7:6, Do Not Cast Pearls</p>	<p>7:7, "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you."</p> <p>7:12, Do Unto Others</p> <p>7:13-14, Choose the Narrow Way</p> <p>7:15-16, Beware of False Prophets (A tree and its fruit)</p> <p>9:37-38, Pray for Laborers</p> <p>10:8: "Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give."</p> <p>10:16, Be Wise as Serpents</p> <p>10:28, Fear Not</p> <p>11:15, Hear God's Voice</p> <p>11:28-30, Come unto Me, Take My Yoke and learn from Me, find rest</p> <p>15:4, Honor Your Parents</p> <p>16:6, Beware of Leaven</p> <p>16:24: "Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me."</p> <p>18:10, Despise Not Little Ones</p> <p>18:15-17, Go to Offenders</p> <p>18:21-22, Forgive Offenders</p> <p>19:4-6, Honor Marriage</p> <p>20:26-28, Be a Servant</p> <p>21:13, Be a House of Prayer</p> <p>21:21-22, Ask in Faith</p> <p>22:37, Put God first</p> <p>22:37-40 love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. [38] This is the first and great commandment. [39] And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. [40] On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.</p> <p>23:8: "But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren."</p> <p>23:9: "And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven."</p> <p>24:42: "Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come."</p> <p>28:19-20, Go ye, teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: [20] Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you...</p>
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