

### **FAITH AND GROWTH**

***“You do well again for asking The Lord for greater faith, for I will grant it to those who ask with pure intentions and a pure heart.***

***Much of your increase in faith must come from your reason...for you are not a robot, nor a fool. You trust in your ability to reason for it is from The Lord, and it protects you from deception and harm. If you reason something to its logical conclusion, and thus establish a belief in this conclusion, you trust in your proper reasoning abilities and the conclusion, so it becomes part of your mental makeup.***



***Faith for some requires this process as well, for if one believes something to be true yet it does not reason out—faith cannot be strong if it is in doubt. Therefore, strong faith is supported by accurately reasoned conclusions set well in your mind.***

***Some can have ‘blind faith’ in the unseen and these are blessed; but strong faith is like a strong mast on a great sailing ship, in that all on the ship rely on and virtually trust their lives to it. So those whose faith has been cured by fire, like gold—indeed have the best faith there is.***

***I will help you in this process as you ask for an increase...you will have events that prove My Word to you, you will see miracles that support My existence, you will hear testimonies that convince you of My grace, you will see evidence all around you increasing in intensity with the intensity of your prayers. For those earnestly seeking faith, they will be filled.***

***As your filling progresses, I will take you higher and higher in learning, and in your spirit; and as your eyes are opened, you will then know even better, how and for what to ask of Me: those things that lead to salvation and sanctification. Yes, sanctification, which is the state of being—completely in the Will of God. All you need to do is ask and earnestly seek, and you will find.***

***The first steps, although more simple than the latter, are the most difficult; for as an immature believer asks there is always an element of doubt, but as God proves Himself, the believer matures and then accepts even the unseen, and eagerly anticipates grace in the form of miracles. The latter steps of drawing close to God are glorious, and love provoked...and love is returned in showers to the truly soft-hearted one, who wants to draw close to their Father, The Christ, and The Holy Spirit.***

***Be this one, for eternal blessings.”***

***Ruach HaKodesh***

—John Patmos

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**Ask, and it shall be given you;** seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

Matthew 7:7-8

**Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.** Hebrews 11:1

But **without faith it is impossible 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. Hebrews 11:6

So then **faith cometh by hearing,** and hearing by the word of God. Romans 10:17

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

And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, **believing, ye shall receive.** Matthew 21:22

And Jesus answering saith unto them, **Have faith in God.** For verily I say unto you, that whosoever shall say unto this mountain, 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. And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses. But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses. Mark 11:22-26

For **by grace are ye saved through faith;** and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Ephesians 2:8

But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to **salvation through sanctification** of the Spirit and belief of the truth: 2 Thessalonians 2:13

As newborn babes, desire **the sincere milk of the word,** that **ye may grow** thereby: 1 Peter 2:2

**Sanctify them through thy truth:** thy word is truth. John 17:17

Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, **let us cleanse ourselves** from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. 2 Corinthians 7:1

**I will instruct thee and teach thee** in the way which thou shalt go: Psalms 32:8

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but **fools despise wisdom** and instruction. Proverbs 1:7

**But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard,** neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. 1 Corinthians 2:9

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