

Real Faith, Part 2

I Peter 1:8-9

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We are saved by faith, we walk by faith, we are justified by faith, and we are kept by faith. Real faith sees Him who is unseen. Faith is the crucial element for salvation.

1. A. Take a quick look at the verses that support the summary statement.
Psalm 33:16-20, John 3:16, 18, Romans 3:28, II Corinthians 5:7,
Hebrews 11:6, I Peter 1:5

- B. What is the outcome of faith in Jesus Christ?
John 3:14-15, 36, 5:24, 6:40, I Peter 1:8-9

- C. What is our exhortation to those who have not put their faith in Jesus Christ?
Matthew 16:24-26, Acts 16:31, Hebrew 3:15

2. A. What key characteristic of faith do you see in I Peter 1:8-9?
II Corinthians 4:16-18, Hebrews 11:1, 24, 27

- B. We are called to believe; to see, if you will, "Him who is unseen." How can this be?
John 20:29-31, Ephesians 1:3-6, 13-14

3. A. Where does faith begin?
Matthew 4:4, John 10:27-28, Romans 10:17

B. The parable of the “sower” is in the gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. That should get our attention. What is the seed?
Matthew 13:18-19a, Mark 4:3, 9, 14, Luke 8:11, Romans 15:4,
II Timothy 3:15

C. Read the explanation of the parable of the sower in Mark 4:13-20. Note the repeated words, “hear the word.” What was different in verse 20?
John 5:24, I Peter 1:8

4. A. The saying goes, “Seeing is believing.” Is this supported by the Bible?
Mark 15:32, John 6:2, 14-15, 28-30, 36, 20:31

B. If seeing is not believing or real faith, what is?
John 6:45-47, 60-69, 20:29, Hebrews 11:1, 23-27, I Peter 1:8-9

C. Your relationship to the words of Christ is identical to your relationship to the person of Jesus Christ. Is this true in our lives?
Psalm 119:89, Matthew 4:3, 24:35, Romans 10:17, II Corinthians 5:7,
Hebrews 12:1-2