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What is faith?

HEBREWS 11:1, 6

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen... And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

Are you sitting down? Did you examine the chair first to see if it would hold you? No! You probably didn't even think about it. Now lift your feet off the floor. With all of your weight on the chair, you are now trusting the chair alone to hold you. You have faith in the chair.

The Bible says, "Without faith it is impossible to please [God]" (Hebrews 11:6). Faith in God means believing without questioning what God says and acting on it. It means trusting Him completely. You put your faith in the Lord Jesus Christ when you believed in Him as your Savior. Now that you are a Christian, God wants you to continue to have faith in Him.

You need faith to handle the hard things that come into your life. You need faith to say "no" to sin. You need faith to trust God's plan for you. In Hebrews, chapter 11, the Bible lists a whole group of people who were heroes because of their faith in God. They were just like you and me. God tells us about them to encourage us to have faith. God is faithful to you—you can have faith in Him!





Thank God that He is faithful to you. Ask Him to help you have faith in Him for everything in life.