

Cultivating Bold Faith
Lesson 3: Faith and Hope

FAITH VS. HOPE

Romans 10:10 NKJV

For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.



Believe – G4100 *pisteuo* (verb) – to think to be true, to be _____ of, to credit, place confidence in.

It is followed by the preposition “unto,” indicating the result that it produces is “*righteousness*.” The

word “unto” implies _____ or _____ of some kind.

Faith is _____. It always expresses itself in motion, change, and activity.

This means that a person who truly believes will be _____ by what he believes.

A person can accept truth with their intellect and yet not be changed by it.



To produce faith, _____ must _____ beyond the conscious mind into the inner source of life, _____.

Proverbs 4:23 AMP

Keep and guard your heart with all vigilance and above all that you guard, for out of it flow the springs of life.


Proverbs 4:23 TPT

So above all, guard the affections of your heart, for they affect all that you are. Pay attention to the welfare of your innermost being, for from there flows the wellspring of life.

I love how the Hebrew reads: ***With all diligence, keep thy heart, above all the things which are to be guarded, for out of it are the issues of life.***

Diligence – H4929 *mismar* – place of _____, prison, guard, jail, _____, watch, observance.

Keep – H5341 *nasar* – to guard, watch, to _____, to kept close, be blockaded, as a _____

 Faith at work in the heart _____ in the _____.

Hebrews 11:1 NKJV

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for

Based on our previous session's definitions, we can say:

"Faith in the heart is the substance, the underlying reality, and foundation that stands under and provides a basis for the things we hope for and entertain in our minds!"

1 Thessalonians 5:8 NKJV

But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation.

1. _____ and _____ are the _____ – protecting the _____.
2. _____ is the _____ – protecting the head, or the _____.

Defining Biblical Hope:

Hope is the _____ and _____ of God's _____.

Romans 8:28 NKJV

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

The Passion Translation:

So we are convinced that every detail of our lives is continually woven together to fit into God's perfect plan of bringing good into our lives, for we are his lovers who have been called to fulfill his designed purpose.

There are ultimately two forms of hope:

One is based on genuine faith within the heart and its expectation will, at the right time, be fulfilled.

The other is found only within the mind, without a genuine faith within the heart, and has no scriptural validity. This hope will more than likely end in disappointment.

FAITH'S TIMING

_____ is in the _____; _____ is in the _____.

Hebrews 11:1 NKJV

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

When is faith? **NOW!**

 **When faith contacts God, it is _____ in _____.**

Mark 11:24 AMP

For this reason I am telling you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe (trust and be confident) that it is granted to you, and you will [get it].

Modern English: **Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you will receive them, and you will have them.**

Common English Bible: **Therefore I say to you, whatever you pray and ask for, believe that you will receive it, and it will so for you.**

Faith, being in the “*now*” means that as we ask in prayer, we receive what we ask for. Not at some point in the future. But **NOW!**

And if we receive it by faith when we ask, then we know with **HOPE**, that He will grant to us what we have received by faith when we asked.

You see, granting and receiving are two different actions. Granting is in the future, but receiving, by faith, takes place when we pray.

Hebrews 4:1-3 TPT

Now God has offered to us the same promise of entering into his realm of resting in confident faith. So we must be extremely careful to ensure that we all embrace the fullness of that promise and not fail to experience it. 2 For we have heard the good news of deliverance just as they did, yet they didn't join their faith with the Word. Instead, what they heard didn't affect them deeply, for they doubted. 3 For those of us who believe, faith activates the promise and we experience the realm of confident rest! For he has said, “I was grieved with them and made a solemn oath, ‘They will never enter into the calming rest of my Spirit.’ ”

 **The _____ is _____ of the transaction;**

the _____ is _____.