

S.A.F.E. Homes



Strengthening Apostolic Families Everywhere



"But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren." Luke 22:32

A Household Of Love And Faith

Paul acknowledged a very important quality that was in the church in the house of Philemon and Apphia. "I thank my God, making mention of thee always in my prayers, Hearing of thy love and faith, which thou hast toward the Lord Jesus, and toward all saints," (Philemon 1:4-5). They had faith in the Lord Jesus. This is a quality that is very important to us today if we are to maintain the church in our house. Faith is essential to everything about our service to God.

Hebrews 11:6 explains the essentiality of faith in our walk with God. "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." Faith is necessary to first believe in the very existence of God but also to believe that when we pray he will hear and answer our prayer. This brings us to the stark reality as to why our faith is attacked every day. The enemy of our soul knows that if he can shake our faith then we lose hope in God and prayer.

We live in very evil and perilous times. Jesus said that in the last days iniquity will abound and the love of many would wax cold. Paul taught that evil men and seducers would get worse and worse. These things are coming true right before our eyes. Without faith in God the things happening around us can cause us to fear and fear is the opposite of faith. Our faith in God saved us from our sins and that same faith will keep us even in trying times. We do not know how severe things will get in our world. This current year has already shown us with the lockdowns because of the virus that the church in your house must be a reality more than ever.

Family Prayer: *Lord, the Apostle Paul could see the faith demonstrated in the house of Philemon and Apphia. Please let my home be one that clearly shows the love and faith we have for you and our church family. In Jesus' Name, Amen.*

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Someone has created an acronym for FEAR: False Evidence Appearing Real. As a family create acronyms for LOVE and FAITH that describe how your faith pleases God and blesses others. Decorate and display a banner so everyone can see you have a household of love and faith!

Let's talk

Why is faith so crucial to our walk with God? How does faith affect the way we live for God and the way we treat others?

Live your faith this week. The world is very open about tearing down the things of God. Pray for boldness to speak up for the truth of God's Word!



Additional Challenges

Our focus verse draws attention to an interaction between Jesus and the Apostle Peter just before the crucifixion. Faith was to play a major role in the life of Peter.

Luke 22:7-20

- What special event were Jesus and the disciples preparing for?
 - _____
- When they asked where to prepare the meal what was Jesus answer?
 - Behold, when ye are entered into the _____, there shall a man meet you, bearing a _____ of _____.
- What were they to do when they saw this person?
 - _____
- Describe the room they were to use.
 - _____

Do you think it took faith to do the things Jesus asked them to do? _____

- What do we call the meal that took place?
 - _____

After the meal Jesus had a personal conversation with Peter.

Luke 22:31-32

- “And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, _____ hath desired to have you, that he may _____ you as _____: But I have _____ for thee, that thy _____: and when thou art converted, _____ thy brethren.”

Luke 22:61-62

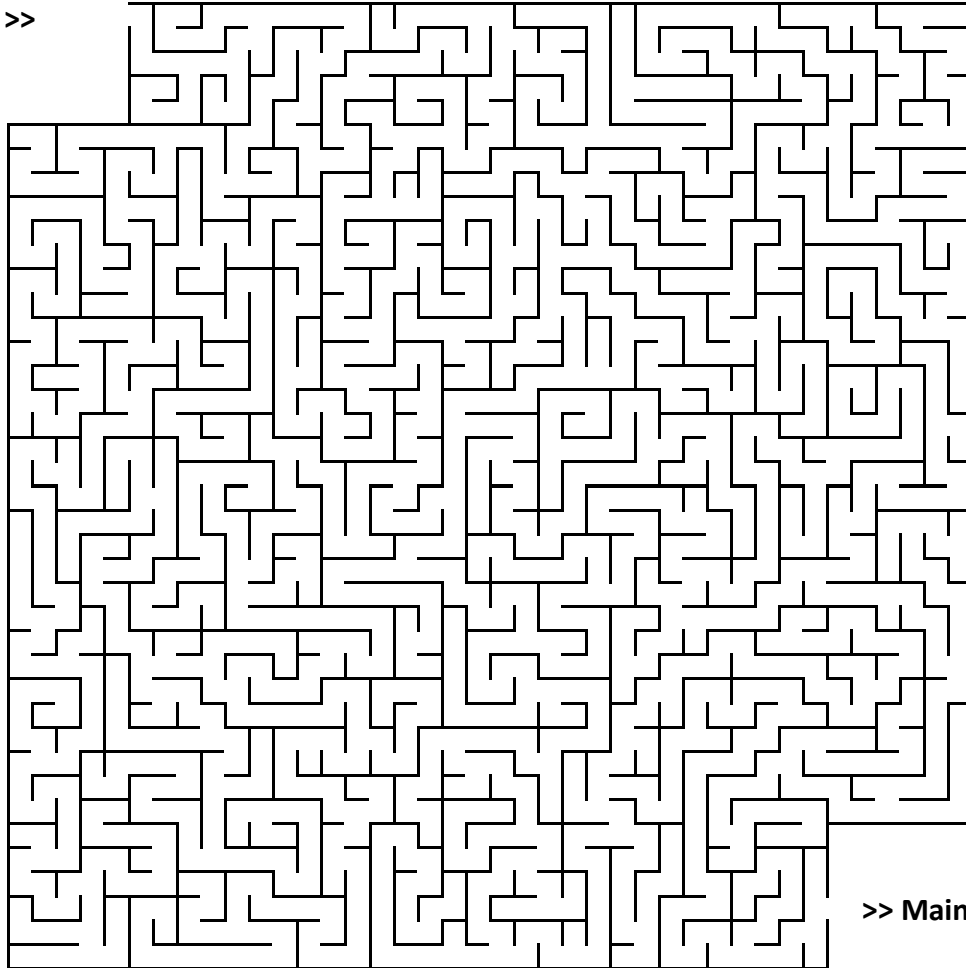
- And the Lord turned, and looked upon _____. And Peter _____ the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me _____. And Peter went out, and _____ bitterly.

Jesus knew that Peter would make mistakes and that he couldn't make it by his own good intentions. Imagine how different the Day of Pentecost would have been if Peter had not realized he needed total faith in God to preach the message that day!

God wants our love and faith in Him and others to be unshakeable!

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Love and faith >>



>> Maintains the church!

