GOT FAITH? DON'T LOSE IT, USE IT GOT FAITH? - Part #1

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Hebrews 11:1-40	
• Doubt is th	e enemy of faith.
• A faith that hasn't be	een tested can't be
I. Faith is	when I don't see it. (v. 1-3)
A. Everything that	is now possible was once
B. This involves _	. (Genesis 15:1-6)
	urably more than all we ask or imagine, at is at work within us." Ephesians 3:20
C. This involves _	the initiative. (Mark 5:25-34)
II. Faith is	when I want to keep it. (v. 4)
	reas for us to have faith in is II Corinthians 8:1-7)
III. Faith is a	_ to pleasing God. (v. 5-6)
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IV. Faith is	_ when I don't understand it. (v. 7-12)
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B. This means I m	ust the best. (Matthew 9:29)

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B. To accomplis	sh the impossible we must see the
C. You	have to understand it all to have faith.
	ary in doing good, for at the proper time we will not give up." Galatians 6:9
	l see what I, not what we been. (Isaiah 43:18-19; II Peter 3:18)
VI. Faith is	God before I receive it. (v. 30-31
• Faith is not believed God is already	ring God do it or will do it; it is believing it.
"Whatever you ask for will be yours." Mark I	in prayer, believe that you have received it, and i 1:24
VII. Faith is	even if I don't get it. (v. 32-40
A. Living by fa	th doesn't you from problems.
B. You don't kn	ow God is all you need until He's all you've
C. If God were wouldn't be big	enough for you to understand, He enough for your problems. (Isaiah 55:8-9)
D. God has som	ething better planned for us –

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not to your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make

1.) Have you ever put	faith in Jesus Christ as L	ord and Savior?
2.) Is your faith	or	?
3.) Give God the		
4.) When you don't have al	ll the answers, you	

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A CONTROLLER

- Doubt is <u>not</u> the enemy of faith.
- A faith that hasn't been tested can't be trusted.

I. Faith is believing when I don't see it. (v. 1-3)

- A. Everything that is now possible was once impossible.
- B. This involves stretching. (Genesis 15:1-6)

"He is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us." Ephesians 3:20

C. This involves taking the initiative. (Mark 5:25-34)

II. Faith is giving when I want to keep it. (v. 4)

• One of the hardest areas for us to have faith in is <u>finances</u>. (Matthew 6:19-21; II Corinthians 8:1-7)

III. Faith is a key to pleasing God. (v. 5-6)

• It's not so much the <u>amount</u> of my faith as it is the <u>object</u> of my faith. (Romans 10:17)

IV. Faith is <u>obeying</u> when I don't understand it. (v. 7-12)

- A. Faith always involves <u>risks</u>. (II Corinthians 5:7)
- B. This means I must expect the best. (Matthew 9:29)

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not to your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:5-6

V. Faith is <u>persisting</u> when I don't feel like it. (v. 13-29)

- A. Successful people do what most people don't feel like doing.
- B. To accomplish the impossible we must see the invisible.
- C. You don't have to understand it all to have faith.

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." Galatians 6:9

D. Faith says I'll see what I <u>can become</u>, not what I am or what I have been. (Isaiah 43:18-19; II Peter 3:18)

VI. Faith is thanking God before I receive it. (v. 30-31)

• Faith is not believing God <u>can</u> do it or will do it; it is believing God is already doing it.

"Whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours." Mark 11:24

VII. Faith is <u>trusting</u> even if I don't get it. (v. 32-40)

A. Living by faith doesn't <u>exempt</u> you from problems.

- B. You don't know God is all you need until He's all you've got.
- C. If God were <u>small</u> enough for you to understand, He wouldn't be big enough for your problems. (Isaiah 55:8-9)
- D. God has something better planned for us <u>heaven</u>.

ACTION POINTS:

- 1.) Have you ever put your faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior?
- 2.) Is your faith stagnant or growing?
- 3.) Give God the benefit of the doubt.
- 4.) When you don't have all the answers, you still have God.