

**Subject: Chapel Service**

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**Theme: Understanding the Power of Faith (Part 3)**

Faith is so crucial to the believer's Christian adventure (Hebrews 11 vs. 6). There is no alternative to the faith question in man's Christian walk in life.

**What is Faith?** Faith is taking spiritual responsibility in the light of scriptures, thus committing God's integrity to perform (Deuteronomy 28 vs. 1 -3).

Faith is believer taking responsibility which commits God to stage an intervention for instant performance.

Faith is the fulfilment of the dictates of scriptures that commits God's performance (Matthew 5 vs. 17). Responsibility is the hallmark of greatness.

Faith is not a beggarly force, but an ever conquering force (Ephesians 6 vs. 16; Ezekiel 2 vs. 2). The word of God is the carrier of the force of faith. Every time your faith is alive, you are sure and guarantee of victory (Daniel 3 vs. 1 – 18; Daniel 6 vs. 1- 3). When you are in faith, challenges becomes a signal that your promotion is on the way.

Faith is not a dormant force, it is a violent force that always command the desired result (Matthew 11 vs. 12). Faith without infusion of Holy Ghost infused violence reaction cannot effect any change (Luke 16 vs. 16; Mark 5 vs. 26 - 34).

In pressing towards victory the believer will always encounter resistance, however, it will take the relentlessness and forceful press of the believer to see the result they desire to see (Mark 10 vs. 16 – 24; Mark 2 vs. 1 - 5). The violence of faith does not turn back and take a defeat, rather it presses on towards the desired goals and objectives. Effort is of no value without faith. God does not consider the believer's effort, He considers the faith status of the believer.

Faith is being fully persuaded of the truth, prevailing circumstances notwithstanding, until the truth finally triumph (Romans 4 vs. 7, 21).

**What is Unique about Bible Faith?** One of the most unique feature of a Bible-based faith is that no devil or opposing forces can stop it from having its way (Mark 9 vs. 23; Mark 10 vs. 27). Bible-based faith brings man into the class of God.

### **Proofs of Bible-based Faith**

1. With Bible-based faith on the scene, kingdoms are subdued (Hebrews 11 vs. 23, 33).
2. Bible-based faith confers supernatural strength on the believer (Hebrews 11 vs. 11).

### **How to Develop a Bible-based Faith?**

1. Engage in the study of the Bible to the point of understanding. It is when the believer's understanding comes alive and see what the word is saying that God can perform them in his life (Luke 5 vs. 7 – 8; Proverbs 20 vs. 27). It is when the spirit is engaged that the believer's understanding can come alive.
2. Be committed to word practice (James 1 vs. 22 – 25; James 2 vs. 18 - 21).