

➤ **Biblical faith is confidence and trust in God, His Word and His promise.**

WHAT IS FAITH?

1. Faith is something we _____ . 1

• Proverbs 16:33, John 6:65, Philippians 1:29, Ephesians 2:8-9

➤ **God gave us grace and faith; They are both gifts to us from Him.**

Our response in salvation is faith, but even that is not of ourselves [but is] the gift of God. Faith is nothing that we do in our own power or by our own resources. In the first place we do not have adequate power or resources. More than that, God would not want us to rely on them even if we had them. Otherwise salvation would be in part by our own works, and we would have some ground to boast in ourselves. Paul intends to emphasize that even faith is not from us apart from God's giving it. ... When we accept the finished work of Christ on our behalf, we act by the faith supplied by God's grace. That is the supreme act of human faith, the act which, though it is ours, is primarily God's – His gift to us out of His grace. When a person chokes or drowns and stops breathing, there is nothing he can do. If he ever breathes again it will be because someone else starts him breathing. A person who is spiritually dead cannot even make a decision of faith unless God first breathes into him the breath of spiritual life. ~John MacArthur

2. Faith is _____ . 1

[A]ll believers of all places, classes, and ethnic backgrounds share the same blessing [of faith]. ~Thomas Schreiner

➤ **God does not play favorites when it comes to faith.**



3. Faith is by Jesus' _____ . 1

• 2 Corinthians 5:21, Isaiah 61:10

4. Faith is based on _____ . 2-3

• Romans 10:17

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5. Faith is the source of God's life changing

_____ . 3-4

• Genesis 1:3, Ephesians 1:19-20, Romans 6:6, Ephesians 2:1-6

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a. It gives us life.

➤ **Faith gives us life for eternity.**

b. It enables us to live a godly life.

➤ **Only the power of God can enable us to live a godly life.**

c. It gives us all we need. us to live a godly life.

• Mark 12:27, Ephesians 3:20

What are we going to do this week, with and because of our _____ ?

