



BUZZWORDS, PART 1

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Faith (Part 1): What It Is

Faith is believing in something you just know ain't true.
— Mark Twain

*To love means loving the unlovable.
To forgive means pardoning the unpardonable.
Faith means believing the unbelievable.
Hope means hoping when everything seems hopeless.*
— G.K. Chesterton

1. JESUS' DISCIPLES _____ WITH NONBELIEVERS.

*We are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us.
We speak for Christ when we plead, "Come back to God!"*
2 Corinthians 5:20

*If someone asks about your hope as a believer, always be ready to
explain it. But do this in a gentle and respectful way.* 1 Peter 3:15-16

*One of the Temple guards standing nearby slapped Jesus across
the face. "Is that the way to answer the high priest?" he demanded.
Jesus replied, "If I said anything wrong, you must prove it. But
if I'm speaking the truth, why are you beating me?"* John 18:22-23

2. CHRISTIANITY IS _____ FAITH.

*And Jesus said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you;
go in peace."* Luke 7:50

*"For this is how God loved the world: He gave his
one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him
will not perish but have eternal life.* John 3:16

*Yet we know that a person is made right with God by faith
in Jesus Christ, not by obeying the law.* Galatians 2:11

When Jesus heard this, he was amazed. Turning to those who were following him, he said, "I tell you the truth, I haven't seen faith like this in all Israel!"
Matt. 8:10

Because of their unbelief, he couldn't do any miracles among them except to place his hands on a few sick people and heal them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.
Mark 6:5-6

3. FAITH MEANS _____ MORE THAN _____.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.
Hebr. 11:1 NRSV

We proclaim to you what we ourselves have actually seen and heard so that you may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ.
1 John 1:3

You say you have faith, for you believe that there is one God. Good for you! Even the demons believe this, and they tremble in terror.
James 2:19

4. CHRISTIAN FAITH IS TRUST IN _____ AND IN _____.

Trust in the LORD with all your heart;
do not depend on your own understanding.
Seek his will in all you do,
and he will show you which path to take.
Prov. 3:5-6

"You must not make for yourself an idol of any kind or an image of anything in the heavens or on the earth or in the sea. You must not bow down to them or worship them, for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God who will not tolerate your affection for any other gods..."
Exodus 20:4-5

Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation.
Col. 1:15

All of God's promises have been fulfilled in Christ with a resounding "Yes!"
2 Cor. 1:20

And if Christ has not been raised, then your faith is useless and you are still guilty of your sins. In that case, all who have died believing in Christ are lost!
1 Cor. 15:17-18

Next Week: Faith (Part 2): Where to Get It