



Luke 17:5 NLT The apostles said to the Lord,  
"Show us HOW TO INCREASE OUR FAITH."

Enlarging our ability to confidently trust in God and in His power  
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## #5 ENEMIES OF FAITH: DOUBT

Biblical words for doubt

- Matthew 14:31 Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you **doubt**?" διστάζω, *distadzo*: waver, be of two minds, have second thoughts
- Matthew 21:21 "Truly I tell you, if you have faith and do not **doubt**, not only can you do what was done to the fig tree, but also you can say to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and it will be done." διακρίνω, *diakrino*: differentiate; weighing matters, leads to wavering or hesitation
- James 1:6 But when you ask, you must believe and not **doubt**, because the one who **doubts** is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind.
- Luke 24:38 He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do **doubts** rise in your minds?" διαλογισμός, *dialogismos*: involves a clash of ideas, turning things over in one's mind; "dialogue"
- John 20:27 "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop **doubting** and believe." ἄπιστος, *apistos*: unbelieving, not trusting, lacking in faith

Doubt can begin with a \_\_\_\_\_:

Henry Drummond: "Doubt is 'can't believe.' Unbelief is 'won't believe' ... Doubt is looking for light; unbelief is content with darkness. Loving darkness rather than light—that is what Christ attacked, and attacked unsparingly. But for the intellectual questioning of Thomas, and Philip, and Nicodemus, and the many others who came to him to have their great problems solved, he was respectful and generous and tolerant."

Doubt can end in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_!

Genesis 3:1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God *really* say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"

### **Pressing In:**

F. F. Bosworth said, "Believe your \_\_\_\_\_ and doubt your \_\_\_\_\_."



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