



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
IN Favor Resources video teaching series

#9 INCREASING OUR FAITH

When it comes to _____, not everyone is _____:

“ _____ faith ”

- Mark 4:40 He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have **no faith**?"
- Matthew 13:58 And he did not do many miracles there because of their **lack of faith**.
- Mark 16:14 he rebuked them for their **lack of faith** and their **stubborn refusal to believe** those who had seen him after he had risen. (Mark 6:6; Romans 3:3; 1 Thessalonians 3:10)

“ _____ faith ”

- Matthew 6:30 If that is how God clothes the grass of the field ... will he not much more clothe you, O you of **little faith**? (And Luke 12:28)
- Matthew 8:26 He replied, "You of **little faith**, why are you so afraid?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm.
- Matthew 14:31 Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of **little faith**," he said, "why did you doubt?" (Matthew 16:8; "**small faith**" in 17:20, Luke 17:6)

“ _____ faith ”

- Romans 14:1 Accept him whose **faith** is **weak**, without passing judgment on disputable matters. ² One man's **faith** allows him to eat everything, but another man, whose **faith** is **weak**, eats only vegetables.

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“ _____ faith ”

- Acts 16:5 So the churches were **strengthened in the faith** and grew daily in numbers.
- Romans 4:20 Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was **strengthened in his faith** and gave glory to God,
- Colossians 2:7 rooted and built up in him, **strengthened in the faith** as you were taught,
- 1 Thessalonians 3:2 We sent Timothy ... to **strengthen and encourage you in your faith**,

“ _____ faith ”

- Colossians 2:5 For though I am absent from you in body, I am present with you in spirit and delight to see how orderly you are and **how firm your faith** in Christ is.
- Colossians 1:23 if you **continue in your faith, established and firm**,
- Isaiah 7:9 The head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is only Remaliah's son. If you do not **stand firm in your faith**, you will not stand at all.' "
- 1 Corinthians 16:13 Be on your guard; **stand firm in the faith**; be men of courage; be strong. And 2 Corinthians 1:24, it is by **faith** you **stand firm**.

- 1 Peter 5:9 Resist him, **standing firm in the faith**, because you know that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings.
- Hebrews 4:14 let us **hold firmly to the faith** we profess.

“ _____ **faith**”

- Matthew 8:10 When Jesus heard this, he was astonished and said to those following him, "I tell you the truth, I have not found anyone in Israel with such **great faith**." (And Luke 7:9)
- Matthew 15:28 Then Jesus answered, "Woman, you have **great faith!** Your request is granted." And her daughter was healed from that very hour.

“ _____ **of faith**”

- Acts 6:5 This proposal pleased the whole group. They chose Stephen, a man **full of faith** and of the Holy Spirit;
- Acts 11:24 He was a good man, **full of** the Holy Spirit and **faith**, and a great number of people were brought to the Lord. (Hebrews 10:22, **full assurance of faith**)

Key Question: Can our _____ be _____? The answer: _____!

- 2 Thessalonians 1:3 We ought always to thank God for you, brothers, and rightly so, because your **faith is growing more and more**, and the love every one of you has for each other is increasing.
- Acts 16:5 So the churches were **strengthened in the faith** and grew daily in numbers.
- 2 Corinthians 10:15 Our hope is that, as your **faith continues to grow**, our area of activity among you will greatly expand,

Pressing in:

A LESSON IN NT GREEK:

<i>hoti</i>	<i>huper</i>	<i>- auxanei</i>	<i>hay pistis</i>	<i>humon</i>
ὅτι	ὑπερ-	αυξάνει	ἡ πίστις	ὑμῶν
because	over,	it is growing	the faith	of you (p)
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We tend to speak of faith in static terms as something we either have or have not. "I wish I had your faith," we say, like "I wish I had your complexion," as if it were a static endowment. Or we complain "I've lost my faith" like "I've lost my spectacles," as if it were a commodity. But faith is a relationship of trust in God, and like all relationships is a living, dynamic, growing thing. There are degrees of faith, as Jesus implied when he said "You of little faith" and "I have not found anyone in Israel with such great faith." —John R. W. Stott

