



# Tried Faith 2

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***Heb. 10:38 Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.***

***Heb. 10:39 But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.***

- **The great falling away that we are seeing today is a departure from faith. Disbelief is causing many to draw back from Christ. *2Th. 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;***
- **Children of God live by faith and we believe that He is who He says. It's impossible to change your mind about this once your heart truly believes. *Heb. 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.***
- **Those that draw back will inherit eternal punishment. But those that live by faith will believe until the end and be saved from damnation. *Heb. 10:27 But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.***



***Heb. 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.***

***Heb. 11:2 For by it the elders obtained a good report.***



- **Faith begins and ends in the realm of the unseen. It is conviction supported by evidence concerning things we do not know through experience. *Prov. 3:5 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.***
- **To follow an unseen God, we must be prepared to do things that are beyond our limited understanding. *2Cor. 5:7 (For we walk by faith, not by sight:)***
- **We must take leaps of faith at times by trusting that we can do all things through Him, regardless of our minds being bound to the visible realm. There are many examples of this in God's Word. *Eph. 3:20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,***

***Heb. 11:3 Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.***

- **God set the example of how we should operate when He created the world. He made the seen realm from things that were not yet present! *Gen. 1:3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.***
- **Our lives should function in like manner. God wants to make us into something that does not yet exist. *Phil. 1:6 Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:***
- **Although we may have erred or fallen many times, by faith, God's unseen and unachieved goals for us will be reached. *Jude 24 Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,***



# SUMMARY



**God is a faith being. His very existence can only be proven by faith and through faith. This was God's intentional design because He wants us to be like Him. God could easily do something to make all men believe. He could do something supernatural and people would turn to Him. But God is a faith being, so He wants His creation to believe in Him by faith alone! Even when He sent His Son, and He did miracles, many still doubted and turned from Him. That's because only those that have faith belong to Him.**

**This same faith that believes in Him makes us believe that through Him, we can be better. We trust that through faith, our lives are changing for the better and we are creating a better, not yet achieved life, for our families. No matter how our lives may look now, we believe that God can make it work together for His good by faith. Just as God envisioned His marvelous creation before it was here, He envisions us being so much better than we appear. Through faith, we believe this as well. We know that no matter how things appear, God can make something from nothing! By faith, all things are possible.**

***Luke 22:31 And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat:***

***Luke 22:32 But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.***

***Luke 22:33 And he said unto him, Lord, I am ready to go with thee, both into prison, and to death.***

***Luke 22:34 And he said, I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest me.***