



# Tried Faith 3

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***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.***

- **Christ is not only the author or “originator” of our faith, but also the finisher or the fulfillment of it. This signifies that God will see our faith through until the end, if we continue to believe. *Heb. 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.***
- **Believing the unseen pleases God. God takes pleasure in us, when we patiently trust Him for things. Pleasing God yields us peace and blessings from Him. *Is. 40:31 But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.***
- **However, our faith is limited to God’s will. We cannot believe for things that are not in His will for us. The Word of God explains His will and the more time we spend growing in Him, the more we know His will for us. *1John 5:14 And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:***





- **The first step in pleasing God is knowing that “He is” God. To even come before Him to ask for anything, we must first know who He is and what He wants from us. *John 7:17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.***
- **Praying for things that are not His will for us is a waste of time. This is why we must plant ourselves in a place where we can receive and hear the will of God being taught to us. *Rom. 10:17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.***
- **We cannot skip over God’s creation plan for us and expect blessings from Him. We cannot ignore His code of morality, ethics, and behavioral statutes while expecting to be pleasing to Him. This state will usually keep us doubting and unbelieving. *Heb. 4:12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.***

- **Those that seek after Him are exercising faith in the process. To continually hope for something that has not yet happened is the true definition of faith. *Heb. 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.***
- **When we diligently seek after God, we are showing that we believe it will happen! This pleases Him and He will always reward us for it. *Luke 12:31 But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you.***
- **God is a rewarder of those that put time and effort into learning of Him without doubting or wavering. Having steadfast faith is the only way to truly receive from Him. *James 1:6 But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.***



# SUMMARY

**Our faith is only as strong as our knowledge of God's will. This is how faith comes from hearing the Word. The more we hear, the more we learn about what He wants from us and what is required of us. To pray for things outside of His plan for us is futile. God is a principal God and in order to receive from Him, we must be aligned with Him.**

**You do not learn from God by just talking to Him or claiming Him as your God. You must have faith and this comes by His Word. If you do not know His Word, you do not know Him. If you do not know His will, then you will struggle with asking things from Him. In order to truly please Him and receive from Him, you must know who He is and how He does things. This practice will ensure that your prayers will be answered and your faith will not fail.**

***Matt. 17:19 Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out?***

***Matt. 17:20 And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.***

***Matt. 17:21 Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting.***