“FAITH FOR THE FUTURE”
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TEXT: Rom. 10:17 “Faith cometh by hearing…” The Lord will not allow your faith to go unnoticed or unrewarded. (Heb. 6:10) Faith not only pleases God, but produces a wholesome effect upon you.

Php 3:13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth (FAITH FOR THE FUTURE) unto those things which are before, Php 3:14 I press toward the mark (BY FAITH) for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

1. Faith will give you a vision
   a. Some believers can see (Abraham rejoice and was glad (John 8:56, Gen. 18:1, Heb. 11:19)
   b. Some believers cannot see (cannot see afar off (II Peter 1:9)

2. Faith will give you courage
   a. Joshua 1:7-9
   b. Faith not only tells you what is right, but tells you what you and the Lord can do. II Sam. 22:30 For by thee I have run through a troop: by my God have I leaped over a wall.

3. Faith will make you wise
   a. Dan. 1:17 “…God gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom.” (because of their faith)
   b. Taking God at his Word is the beginning of wisdom; Prov. 1:9 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction. This is the reason for a Bible education is to purchase Faith for the Future.

4. Faith will give you hope
   a. Faith enabled the believer to wait patiently (fruit of the Spirit) while you hope confidently.
   b. Gal. 5:5 “For we through the Spirit wait…by faith.”

5. Faith will enable you to accomplish great things (Faith for the Future is what gets you started, makes you maintain, and makes you finish.)
   a. Heb. 11 (notice what they all accomplished by faith)
   b. Ex. 11:3 (Moses was great), (Joseph was great Gen. 45:13)

6. Faith will bring comfort and contentment
   a. I Thes. 4:18 “…comfort one another with these words”
   b. Phil. 4:11 “…I have learned …to be content”
   c. Rom. 15:13 “…the God of hope…joy and peace in believing…”

7. Faith will cause you to be faithful
   I Cor. 4:2 “…required …to be faithful” (means to be full of faith)

Faith gives: Vision Doubt destroys Vision
   Courage Courage
   Wisdom Wisdom
   Hope Hope
   Accomplishments Accomplishments
   Comfort Comfort
   Contentment Contentment
   Faithfulness Faithfulness

Heb 10:34 For ye had compassion of me in my bonds, and took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, knowing (By faith in what God says.) in yourselves that ye have in heaven a better and an enduring substance.
Heb 10:35 Cast not away therefore your confidence, (Faith for the Future) which hath great recompence of reward.

Remember, it's always Facts, Faith, and then Feeling