

“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.; 9:9,10 Prov. 1:7 *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