

CHRIST FELLOWSHIP CENTRE

THE WALK OF FAITH

Living by Faith and Not by Sight

MONTHLY SERMON SERIES | FOUR-WEEK TEACHING GUIDE

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SERMON SERIES CONTENT

A complete four-week CFC teaching resource for preaching, Bible study, discipleship and ministry development.

THE WALK OF FAITH Monthly Sermon Series (4 Weeks)

A Detailed and Articulated Teaching with Scriptures, Examples, and Practical Application

MONTHLY THEME SCRIPTURE

"For we walk by faith, not by sight."

- 2 Corinthians 5:7

INTRODUCTION: WHAT IS THE WALK OF FAITH?

The walk of faith is a daily journey of trusting God even when circumstances do not make sense. Faith is not merely believing God exists; it is depending on Him completely.

Faith is:

- Trusting God's Word above human reasoning
- Obeying God even without full understanding
- Persevering through trials while expecting God's promises
- Living according to heaven's reality instead of earthly fear

Definition of Faith

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

- Hebrews 11:1

Faith sees before manifestation happens. Example:

- Noah built the ark before rain existed.
- Abraham left his homeland before seeing the promise.
- Peter walked on water before understanding how.

Faith always moves before evidence appears.

WEEK 1 - WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO WALK BY FAITH?
Main Scripture

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- 2 Corinthians 5:7

1. Faith Is a Lifestyle

The Bible does not say:

- visit by faith,
- pray by faith,
- preach by faith,

It says WALK by faith.

Walking speaks of:

- consistency,
- progress,
- daily dependence.

Faith is not an event; it is a lifestyle. Example:

A child learning to walk falls many times but continues trying because they trust their parent. Likewise believers trust God even after disappointments.

2. Faith Trusts God Beyond Feelings

Feelings change:

- some days you feel strong,
- other days weak.

But faith is anchored in God's unchanging Word.

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever."

- Hebrews 13:8

Example:

David encouraged himself in the Lord while everyone around him was discouraged.

"But David encouraged himself in the LORD his God."

- 1 Samuel 30:6

Faith says:

- "God is still good."
- "God is still able."
- "God still has a plan."

3. Faith Requires Obedience

True faith obeys God.

"By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called..."

- Hebrews 11:8

Obedience proves faith. Example:

When Jesus told Peter to cast the net again after fishing all night, Peter obeyed and received abundance.

Luke 5:4-6

Sometimes your miracle is hidden inside obedience.

4. Faith and Fear Cannot Lead Together

Fear magnifies problems. Faith magnifies God.

"God has not given us a spirit of fear..."

- 2 Timothy 1:7

Example:

Twelve spies saw Canaan.

- Ten saw giants.
- Two saw God's promise.

Numbers 13:30-33

Your perspective determines your victory.

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

- What area of your life requires faith right now?
- Are you controlled by fear or by God's promises?
- What has God instructed you to obey?

WEEK 2 - THE TESTING OF FAITH Main Scripture

"The testing of your faith produces patience."

- James 1:3

1. Faith Will Be Tested

Every genuine faith faces trials. Examples:

- Abraham waited for Isaac
- Joseph endured betrayal and prison
- Job lost everything
- Jesus endured the cross

Testing develops spiritual maturity.

"Though now for a little while... you have been grieved by various trials, that the genuineness of your faith... may be found to praise, honor, and glory."

- 1 Peter 1:6-7

2. Delays Are Not Denials

God's timing differs from ours. Example:

Lazarus died before Jesus arrived.

Mary and Martha thought Jesus was late.

But Jesus was preparing a greater miracle.

John 11:1-44

Sometimes God allows situations to become impossible so His glory can become undeniable.

3. Faith Must Endure Pressure

"Let us run with endurance the race set before us."

- Hebrews 12:1

The enemy attacks:

- your patience,
- your confidence,
- your hope.

But enduring faith receives reward.

"Do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward."

- Hebrews 10:35

4. Complaining Weakens Faith

Israel saw miracles but constantly complained.

Complaining delayed their promise.

Philippians 2:14 "Do all things without complaining..."

Faith praises before breakthrough. Example:

Paul and Silas worshipped in prison before the doors opened.

Acts 16:25-26

Praise is the language of faith.

APPLICATION

- Are you discouraged because of delay?
- What trial is testing your faith?
- Can you still praise God while waiting?

WEEK 3 - FAITH THAT PRODUCES MIRACLES Main Scripture

"All things are possible to him who believes."

- Mark 9:23

1. Jesus Responded to Faith

Repeatedly Jesus said:

- "Your faith has made you well."
- "According to your faith let it be to you."

Faith attracts divine intervention.

2. The Woman with the Issue of Blood

Mark 5:25-34

She suffered for 12 years. Doctors failed her. Money failed her.

But faith connected her to Jesus. Lessons:

- Faith presses through obstacles
- Faith ignores public opinion
- Faith reaches for Jesus despite weakness

"If only I may touch His clothes, I shall be made well."

- Mark 5:28

3. Blind Bartimaeus Refused Silence

Mark 10:46-52

People told him to be quiet. But faith cried louder.

Some voices around you will discourage your faith. Do not allow people to silence your expectation.

4. Faith Speaks

"We also believe and therefore speak."

- 2 Corinthians 4:13

Faith-filled words matter. David and Goliath

David declared victory before battle.

"The battle is the LORD's."

- 1 Samuel 17:47

Faith speaks God's promises, not defeat.

5. Faith Requires Action

"Faith without works is dead."

- James 2:26

Examples:

- Noah built
- Moses stretched the rod
- Peter stepped out of the boat
- The lepers walked before healing appeared

Faith acts before results appear.

APPLICATION

- What miracle are you trusting God for?
- Are your words filled with faith or negativity?
- What step of faith must you take?

WEEK 4 - LIVING A VICTORIOUS LIFE OF FAITH Main Scripture

"This is the victory that has overcome the world-our faith."

- 1 John 5:4

1. Faith Gives Victory Over the World

The world system operates through:

- fear,
- anxiety,
- greed,
- unbelief.

Believers overcome through faith.

2. Keep Your Eyes on Jesus

"Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith."

- Hebrews 12:2

Peter walked on water while focused on Jesus. He sank when focused on the storm.

Whatever captures your attention influences your faith.

3. Faith Comes by Hearing God's Word

"Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."

- Romans 10:17

To grow faith:

- study Scripture,
- pray consistently,
- worship regularly,
- surround yourself with believers.

4. Faith Must Continue Until the End

"Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life."

- Revelation 2:10

The Christian life is not a sprint but a marathon.

5. Heroes of Faith

Hebrews 11 lists men and women who trusted God:

- Abel
- Noah
- Abraham
- Sarah
- Moses
- Rahab

They were ordinary people with extraordinary faith.

FINAL EXHORTATION

Faith does not mean:

- life will have no storms,
- battles will disappear,
- suffering will never come.

Faith means:

- God remains faithful in every season,
- God walks with you through every valley,
- God fulfills His promises.

CONCLUSION SCRIPTURE

"But the just shall live by faith."

- Romans 1:17

ALTAR CALL / PRAYER Prayer for Faith

"Lord Jesus, strengthen my faith. Help me to trust You beyond what I see and feel. Teach me to walk by faith and not by sight. Remove fear, doubt, and unbelief from my heart. Fill me with confidence in Your Word and power. Help me endure trials and remain faithful until the end. In Jesus' name, Amen."

ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING SCRIPTURES

- Hebrews 11:6
- Romans 10:17
- Mark 11:22-24
- Matthew 17:20
- James 1:2-4
- Proverbs 3:5-6
- Isaiah 40:31
- Psalm 37:5
- Galatians 2:20
- Ephesians 3:20

SUGGESTED MONTHLY STRUCTURE

Week

Topic

Key Scripture

Week 1

Walking by Faith

2 Corinthians 5:7

Week 2

The Testing of Faith

James 1:3

Week 3

Faith That Produces Miracles

Mark 9:23

Week 4

Living a Victorious Life of Faith

1 John 5:4