

Matthew 8:5-13

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Matthew 8:5-13 (Luke 7:1-10)

⁵ And when Jesus entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, imploring Him, ⁶ and saying, “Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, fearfully tormented.” ⁷ Jesus said to him, “I will come and heal him.” ⁸ But the centurion said, “Lord, I am not worthy for You to come under my roof, but just say the word, and my servant will be healed. ⁹ For I also am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to this one, ‘Go!’ and he goes, and to another, ‘Come!’ and he comes, and to my slave, ‘Do this!’ and he does *it*.” ¹⁰ **Now when Jesus heard *this*, He marveled and said to those who were following, “Truly I say to you, I have not found such great faith with anyone in Israel.** ¹¹ I say to you that many will come from east and west, and recline *at the table* with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven; ¹² but the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” ¹³ And Jesus said to the centurion, “Go; it shall be done for you as you have believed.” And the servant was healed that *very* moment.

Webster’s Dictionary 1828

Faith is an affectionate practical confidence in the testimony of God. **Faith** is a firm, cordial belief in the veracity of God, in all the declarations of his word; or a full and affectionate confidence in the certainty of those things which God has declared, and because he has declared them.

Presumptuous / To Act Presumptuously

To act willfully, arrogantly, in bold defiance of conscience or in violation of a known duty; as to sin presumptuously with groundless and vain confidence in the divine favor.

Romans 14:23b

.....and whatever is not from **faith** is sin.

Hebrews 11:1-2

¹ Now **faith** is the assurance of *things* hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² For by it the men of old gained approval.

Hebrews 11:6

⁶ And without **faith** it is impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and *that* He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.

Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham.... Sarah.... Moses.

John 3:3:5-8

.”³ Jesus answered and said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he **cannot see** the kingdom of God.”.....⁵ Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he **cannot enter** into the kingdom of God. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not be amazed that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’

1 Corinthians 2:4-5

⁴ and my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵ so that your **faith** would not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God.

Ephesians 2:8-10

⁸ For by grace you have been saved through **faith**; and that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God; ⁹ not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

Ephesians 3:11-12

¹¹ *This was* in accordance with the eternal purpose which He carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹² in whom we have boldness and confident access through **faith** in Him.

Hebrews 11:13

¹³ All these **died in faith**, without receiving the promises, but having seen them and having welcomed them from a distance, and having confessed that they were strangers and exiles on the earth.

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

Q. 65. Since then we are made partakers of Christ and all his benefits by **faith** only, whence comes this **faith**?

A. The Holy Ghost works it in our hearts by the preaching of the Gospel, and confirms it by the use of the Holy Sacraments.