



TALK IT OVER

LIVE by Faith

BOTTOM LINE

Faith is not just believing right. It is living right.

CONVERSATION STARTER

What is something inconsequential that you have a “right way” of doing it, and are uncomfortable if you don’t do it that way? (ex: setting the table)

THINGS TO CONSIDER

What did you hear?

What do you think?

What will you do?

RESOURCES

- The Daily: newpointeorg/daily
- [The Purpose of Trials](#) – Short read by Charles Stanley

KEY VERSES AND QUOTES

For we live by faith, not by sight. 2 Corinthians 5:7 NIV

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. Galatians 2:20 NIV

All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth. People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own. If they have been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return. Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one.

Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them. Hebrews 11:13-16 NIV

“Faith means putting God first in every area. Not every area requires risk, but it does require priority.” – Dave VanDonge

“At some point, the gospel of Jesus is going to offend you.” – Dave VanDonge

“Sometimes our beliefs fuel our steps of faith. Sometimes our steps of faith fuel our beliefs and trust.” – Dave VanDonge

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Faith always requires action. Sometimes it requires risk. Discuss. How do you know this is true? Faith requires worship, and we worship whatever we put first. What shows the evidence for what is truly first in your life? Faith requires priority. Discuss and explain. How is real faith persistent? How do you exhibit persistence? Faith requires obedience. There are some seasons when it will be challenging to obey because you don’t understand the benefits of obedience. When has that happened for you? How have you kept walking? Genuine faith rearranges your life. If your life and lifestyle have not changed since coming to Christ, you may have belief but not faith. Discuss. There will be times when God will ask us to ABANDON something we love/value, but we do it because we love Him more. How is this vital to real faith? Where do you need most prayer/work?

ACTION STEP

Starting this week, I will prioritize my faith walk by intentionally _____
