



TALK IT OVER

Faith That Moves

BOTTOM LINE

Faith must move from simple acknowledgement into trust and pursuit.

CONVERSATION STARTER

How did you end up in your current job? What did you think you would be doing at this point when you were 18?

THINGS TO CONSIDER

What did you hear?

What do you think?

What will you do?

RESOURCES

- The Daily:
newpointe.org/thedaily
- [What It Means to Walk By Faith](#)
by Andy Stanley (5 min.)

KEY VERSES AND QUOTES

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him. Hebrews 11:1, 6 NIV

Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. Hebrews 11:1 KJV

"Faith is not determined by outcomes but by our internal posture of faith. Faith makes future promises seem solid now, even though you haven't seen them fulfilled."

"Faith is like a sixth sense that God gives us that enables us to get a firm grip on the unseen world."

"Faith starts with God allowing us to hear truth, then that truth begins to interact with what we already know. But just knowing something is not enough. We must become persuaded; our minds emotionally attached to that truth. Then we must respond and let our will embrace it. Our minds, emotions, and will are all involved in true faith."

"God does not merely observe us. He is committed to rewarding those who step out in trust and obedience."

"Faith is the starting point for salvation and the ongoing pathway for spiritual growth."
– Quotes by Dwight Mason

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How have you typically thought about faith? What is a new concept you picked up in this study of Hebrews 11:1-6? Faith is the inner conviction that what God says is true, even if it's invisible. How is Jesus Christ Himself the evidence for our faith? What's the difference between faith and trust?

Perception is when you hear truth and your mind begins to interact with what you already know – that's thinking. But to become faith, it must go beyond knowing. **Persuasion** is when your emotions become attached to that truth. Where in your faith journey can you identify those stages, perhaps about a specific arena of faith? **Performance** is when faith enables God to work in my life – my will chooses to respond obediently to what I know and believe. Have you had a harder time believing that God exists or that He rewards? How have you experienced the rewards of seeking Him? Discuss the way in which you are attempting to diligently seek God. What characterizes a life that diligently seeks God?

ACTION STEP

My next step in my faith walk is to diligently seek/pursue God by my obedience in this way: _____