



➤ **FAITH (GREEK: PISTIS) IS NOT ...**

- Faith is NOT _____.

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

Hebrews 11:1 (KJV)

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Yet many leaders secretly believed in Him but would not declare their faith because the Pharisees continued their threats to expel all His followers from the synagogue; ⁴³ here's why: they loved to please men more than they desired to glorify God. **John 12:42-43 (VOICE)**

- Faith is NOT _____.

Someone may say, "You have faith, I have actions." Show me your faith without any actions, and I will show you my faith by my actions. **James 2:18 (ISV)**

You see, his faith and his actions worked together. His actions made his faith complete. **James 2:22 (NLT)**

➤ **A COMMON MISUNDERSTANDING ABOUT FAITH VS. WORKS**

⁸ For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—⁹ not by works, so that no one can boast. ¹⁰ For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. **Ephesians 2:7-10 (NIV)**

- _____.

⁵ But because of your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of God's wrath, when his righteous judgment will be revealed. ⁶ God "will repay each person according to what they have done." ⁷ To those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, honor and immortality, he will give eternal life. ⁸ But for those who are self-seeking and who reject the truth and follow evil, there will be wrath and anger. **Romans 2:5-8 (NIV)**

¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad. **2 Corinthians 5:10 (NIV)**

¹⁷ Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear. **1 Peter 1:17 (NIV)**

And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. **Revelation 20:12 (NIV)** See also **1 Corinthians 3:8, 4:5; Colossians 3:25; Hebrews 3:14-19; Psalm 62:12; Proverbs 11:31, 24:12**

- "Not by works" = _____

Do you think that believing there's one God is going to get you anywhere? The demons believe that, too, and it terrifies them! **James 1:19 (VOICE)**

➤ **FAITH (GREEK: PISTIS) IS ...**

1. _____

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 11:6 (NIV)

2. _____

²³ The words "it was credited to him" were written not for him alone, ²⁴ but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who trust in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. ²⁵ He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification. **Romans 4:23-25 (NIV)**

The person who is right with me will live by trusting in me. But I will not be pleased with the one who turns back in fear. **Hebrews 10:38 (ERV)**

3. _____

King Demetrius to the nation of the Jews, greetings. Since you have kept your agreement with us and have continued your friendship with us, and have not sided with our enemies, we have heard of it and rejoiced. Now continue still to keep faith [pistis] with us, and we will repay you with good for what you do for us. **(1 Macc. 10:25–27, 150 B. C.)**

"Repent and believe (pistis) in me ..." – **Josephus, 66 A.D.**

The Kingdom of God is near! Repent and believe (pistis) the Good News!

Mark 1:15 (NIV)

4. _____

⁵ Through him we received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith for his name's sake. **Romans 1:5 (NIV)**

^{26b} ... so that all the Gentiles might come to the obedience that comes from faith ... **Romans 16:26b (NIV)**

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