

# Faith factor

## God Wants to Build Your Faith -- But How?

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Many people are controlled by fear, but God wants us to live by faith.

Matthew 9:29--(Jesus said) According to your faith it will be done to you.

Mark 9:23[GN]--Everything is possible for the person who has faith.

Romans 4:21--...being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised.

## 6 Factors God Uses to Build Your Faith

#1 \_\_\_\_\_

Ephesians 3:20(LB)--...God is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask or even dream of—  
infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes.

#2 \_\_\_\_\_

James 1:6,8(GN)--You must believe and not doubt...a double-minded man is unstable in all he does.

#3 \_\_\_\_\_

Habakkuk 2:3a(LB)--God says...but these things I plan won't happen right away. Slowly, steadily, surely,  
the time approaches when the vision will be fulfilled.

### Marks of Maturity

>> You learn a \_\_\_\_\_ is not a \_\_\_\_\_.

>> You learn the difference between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Quoted Scripture is from the New International Version unless otherwise noted.

#4 \_\_\_\_\_

1 Peter 1:6-7(Ph)--At the present you may be temporarily harassed by all kinds of trials. This is not  
accident—it happens to prove your faith, which is infinitely more valuable than gold.

#5 \_\_\_\_\_

2 Corinthians 1:8,9(Ph)--At that time we were completely overwhelmed, the burden was more than we  
could bear, in fact we told ourselves that this was the end. Yet we now believe that we had this  
sense of impending disaster so that we might learn to trust, not in ourselves, but in God who  
can raise the dead!

#6 \_\_\_\_\_

2 Corinthians 1:10--He has delivered us...and he will deliver us again.

Psalms 27:13(GN)--I am expecting the Lord to rescue me again, so that once again I will see his goodness  
to me...

Matthew 9:29--According to your faith it will be done to you.

Where God \_\_\_\_\_, He \_\_\_\_\_.

## Faith Examples

- >> Noah — Genesis 6-9
- >> Joseph — Genesis 37-45
- >> Abraham — Genesis 12-22
- >> Moses — Exodus 2-15
- >> Jesus — John 14-20
- >> David — 1 Samuel 16-32

## Small Group Discussion Questions

1. How does God build our faith?
2. Review the points and Bible verses from this lesson.  
What personal application can you make from this week's teaching?
3. What Faith Factors have you experienced in your life? Which one are you dealing with right now?
4. Take some time right now to pray for the needs of those in your small group.