## Faith of God vs. Faith in God Creflo Dollar

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## Scriptures:

• Romans 8:32, *AMPC* 

• Galatians 2:20

• Galatians 3:24-29

• Acts 17:28, 29

• 1 Corinthians 4:7

• 1 Corinthians 4:7, *NLT* 

## Summary:

Correctly dividing God's Word of faith is essential for us if we're to avoid falling into the trap of self-effort in our belief. Having faith **in** God could lead us to think that we must do something to develop our own faith; this is different than having the faith **of** God, which He offers to us as a gift with no need to earn it. We receive this gift when we receive Jesus, who is a reflection of God's faith in human form. We don't have to work to be forgiven, saved, righteous, or justified; the faith of Jesus Christ, who lives in us, reveals that we are already those things. Christ's faith is perfect and flawless, and relieves us of the burden of relying on our own imperfect faith. This is a simple concept, but religion and our English translation of the Bible's original Greek language complicates it. Depending on what God believes about us, instead of on what we believe, allows Him to give us the abundant life He wants us to enjoy.

## Notes:

- 1. Everything good we have came to us as a gift—even our faith. We need *God's* faith, not our own.
- 2. God gave us His Son Jesus as a gift; He offers us His faith as another gift.
- 3. Accepting Jesus Christ allows Him to come live in us, and enables us to live by His faith. Our faith is continually being developed, but *His* faith is already perfect and complete.
- 4. The Mosaic Law had a "do good, get good" mindset. It required constant self-effort and striving, and the people had to work hard to get good things from God. However, faith, who is Jesus, has now come; *He* is our faith.
- 5. It's not *our* faith, but *Christ's* faith, that makes us children of God.
- 6. We already rely on God's strength, wisdom, and righteousness; there's no reason not to also rely on His faith.

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