

**Faith Church International**  
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**Introduction**

There are nine (9) Gifts of the Holy Spirit which are divided into three (3) categories: **1.) VOCAL GIFTS**; Tongues, Interpretation of Tongues, and Prophecy. **2.) REVELATION GIFTS**; Word of Wisdom, Word of Knowledge, and Discerning of Spirits. **3.) POWER GIFTS**; Faith, Healings, and Miracles. These gifts of the Holy Spirit enable us to supernaturally **SPEAK**, supernaturally **KNOW**, and supernaturally **DO** the works of Jesus. Christianity is a supernatural life. All of Christianity is miraculous. It began with the virgin birth of Christ, a miracle in itself. His miraculous life, death, burial and resurrection were all supernatural and miraculous. Every person born again is a miracle.

When you were born again a miracle took place. The same power that raised Christ from the dead quickened you and you became a new creature in Christ. You became a Child of God by FAITH. You became a partaker of the Divine Nature of God. You are no longer an old sinner saved by grace, but a workmanship of God created in Christ Jesus unto good works. YOU ARE A MIRACLE. Every time you look in the mirror, you see a miracle. You are a new creature in Christ.

**The Definition of the “Gift of Faith”**: A special endowment given to someone called upon to exercise an extraordinary capacity of trust, to enable someone to accomplish God’s purpose despite every contrary, contradictory circumstance of life. God supernaturally empties him of any doubts and fills him or her with Special Faith. It is the special dispensation God grants a believer when the task he has given that believer requires more than ordinary or General Faith.

**1. The Gift of Faith**

**I. I Corinthians 12: 7-11: Verse 7**, “But the manifestation of the Spirit is given for profit withal. **Verse 8**, For to one is given by the Spirit the Word of Wisdom; to another the Word of Knowledge by the same Spirit; **Verse 9**, To another Faith by the same Spirit; to another the Gifts of Healing by the same Spirit; **Verse 10**, To another the working of Miracles; to another Prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of Tongues; to another the interpretation of Tongues; **Verse 11**, But all these work that one and the self same Spirit, dividing to every man severally as He will. **Verse 12**, For as the Body is one, and has many members, and all the members of the one Body, being many, are one Body; so also is Christ.”

**Verse 9**: “...to another Faith by the same spirit...”

- This is the “Gift of Faith”.

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**II. I Corinthians 13: 1-2: Verse 1**, *"Though I speak with the tongues of men and of Angels, and have not charity (love), I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. **Verse 2**, And though I have the Gift of Prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and understand all knowledge; and though I have all Faith, so that I could remove mountains, I am nothing."*

**Verse 2**: *"...and if I have all Faith..."*

- That's the "Gift of Faith": all Faith; Faith in the absolute sense. It has no mixture of doubt within it. It's "all Faith", the God Faith. When the Gift of Faith manifests in our life, it's "all Faith" and there's no doubt. We're able to continue trusting and believing until the manifestation comes.
- "all Faith" is also referred to as "special Faith".

**The Purpose**: There may come a time when the task God called you to will require more Faith than you have. God won't let you down. If He's called you to a task that requires more Faith than you've got, God will add Faith to you and give you the Gift of Faith. The Gift of Faith will get you through when you're in the will of God, you are on assignment from God, and you're tempted to quit and give up and your Faith is running out. The Gift of Faith will rise up as the Spirit wills and you will continue to believe and continue to trust God to accomplish HIS purpose in your life.

The Gift of Faith is not resident within us all the time. It is special Faith for a specific task in your life; something God needs you to trust Him for; for HIS furtherance of HIS purpose. Once that is accomplished, then that gift is done.

**2. General Faith**: the Faith that we live by; everyday Faith; not the Gift of Faith or the "Special Faith".

**I. Romans 1:17**, (the Faith we live by) – **Verse 17**, *"For therein is the Righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by Faith."*

**II. Hebrews 11:13**, (the Faith we die by) - **Verse 13**, *"These all died in Faith, not having received the Promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth."*

**III. Romans 12:3**, (the measure of Faith) - **Verse 3**, *"For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought; but to think soberly, according as God has dealt to every man the measure of Faith."*

- God gave us the measure of Faith when we got saved. We received that measure in order to develop it. You have to develop your Faith. What you got when you first got saved was enough to get started, but not enough to finish.

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- Your Faith has to grow. When you're a baby Christian you have baby Faith. Develop your Faith to the place where it's easy to trust God. God wants you to develop and use your Faith.
- All things are possible to him that believes. Manifestations follow Faith. Miracles follow Faith. You can get everything God has for you and everything Christ died to give you through Faith.

**IV. II Thessalonians 1:3:** *"We are bound to thank God always for you, Brethren, as it is meet, because that your Faith grows exceedingly, and the charity (love) of every one of you all toward each other abounds;"*

- Your Faith grows exceedingly.
- We all received the same measure when we got saved.
- We all can increase, develop and use our Faith.

**3. How Do We Increase our Faith?**

**I. Romans 10:17:** *"So then Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God."*

- We have to feed our measure. Your Faith can grow.
- Practice your Faith. Exercise it. You can't live in easy Faith all of the time. The next time you get a headache don't run for the pill bottle. A headache won't kill you so practice on something that's not dangerous. Use your Faith. (i.e. weight-lifting)
- Faith comes by hearing.

The initial measure you received came when you repented, and surrendered to Christ, and accepted him as Savior, and then you were recreated, and the measure of Faith came in the recreation. Now it has to be developed. All of the forces of a recreated spirit have to be developed in you. Love has to be developed. You grow in Love. You can tell when your Love is growing when you are able to Love the ones that are hard to Love, not just the easy ones.

Check to see how you are growing in Faith. What are you able to believe God for today?

**4. There are two (2) types of hearing**

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- The first hearing actually means to hear with your *physical* ears. The second hearing means to understand with your *spiritual* ears. The Word of God has to be heard in both places for Faith to come.

**II. Joshua 1:8:** *"This Book of Law shall not depart out of your mouth; but you shall meditate therein day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall have good success."*

- Meditate day and night on the Word of God and speak it out loud to yourself. Your voice will register on your spirit before any other voice.
- Meditate means "to chew the cud"; like a cow; chews it up, swallows it, brings it back up and chews it some more. That's meditation.
- Observe means "now you see". That means the revelation has come. Meditation brings revelation.
- *Information* goes to *Meditation*, *Meditation* goes to *Revelation*, and *Revelation* becomes *Impartation* where the *Spirit of Faith* is released in your life. (Recommended reading, "*How to Produce Abundance in Your Life*", by Dr. John Polis)

## **5. A Spirit of Faith**

**I. II Corinthians 4:13:** *"We having the same Spirit of Faith, according as it is written (Ps. 116:10), I believed, and therefore I have spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak;"*

- There is having the Spirit of Faith and then there's "trying to believe".
- Paul had a Spirit of Faith.
- You never heard Paul giving a bad report or speaking an evil report.

## **6. How a Spirit of Faith Works**

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**I. Philippians 4:8:** *"Finally Brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."*

- You never find a Spirit of Faith "glooming and dooming".
- Did you ever see God having a bad day? Did you ever see Jesus complaining about his hard times? Jesus had a Spirit of Faith.

**II. Hebrews 11:1:** *"Now Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."*

- Faith has to do with the future and the unseen.
- Faith knows what's going to happen before it happens.

Practice your Faith if you want it to grow. Believe God. Pray. Use your Faith. Start where you are. Start praying for something specifically and believe God for it. Start small. Use your Faith on purpose. Stay in Faith and continue to believe. Get a target and pray it in. Speak it. Thank God for it and wait. Stay in Faith and continue to believe that you have received it and don't let the devil steal your blessing. The Spirit of Faith says, "I have it!"

**III. Romans 4:17:** *"(As it is written, I have made you a father of many nations <Genesis 12:1-3; 17:4-5>) before Him Whom he believed, even God, who quickens the dead, and calls those things which be not as though they were."*

**IV. Mark 11:23:** *"For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he says shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he says."*

-From here on out it's according to your Faith because now, you understand Faith.