

**Ask Dr. Lillie:
Questions About Bible Words and Creation**

Question: I hear a lot of preachers saying things like “Use your faith; turn your faith loose; hold onto your faith; or stand on your faith.” But I have never heard anyone explain what faith is! My questions are: 1) What is faith? 2) Do I use it, stand on it, hold onto it, or turn it loose? I am really confused. If a person does not know what faith is or what to do with it, how will he know if he has it or not?

Answer: Let’s start with Hebrews 11:1-6, where it says that Faith is both substance and evidence, and that without Faith, it will be impossible to please God. ***Faith is the evidence of the presence of invisible, creative Substance.*** But the question now is, “What kind of substance is invisible and creative?” Faith is also called a Seed, and it is the only one of the nine fruits of the Spirit listed in Galatians 5:22 which is called both a “seed” and a “fruit.”

There are many kinds of seed, but the Seed called Faith is not just any seed. One would need to be able to know the difference in the kind of seed he sows within himself to know if he will produce the invisible-but-provable ***substance of Faith out of the Seed he sows, and if his fruit be of God.***

Living Faith Substance is also called the “Tree of Life.” 1 Timothy 1:17 says that the only wise God is immortal, eternal, and invisible. Hebrews 11:27 says that Moses endured, as seeing Him who is invisible. Colossians 1:15 speaks of he who is the image of the invisible God. By these Scripture references we know that ***“Faith Substance” is the inner witness of God, who is invisible.***

Romans 9:5-9 is very clear about the kind of Seed that Faith is. Luke 8:11 is also very clear about the kind of “Seed” one must sow in order to please God. Luke 17:6 tells us the kind of fruit (or the result) one will expect to experience ***when he possesses and “speaks” or “turns loose” the Word of Faith.*** This Scripture also tells us the manner in which Faith works. Obviously when one is “speaking” Faith, he is not standing on it, using it, or holding onto it. Rather, he is sending forth the Word of God which is in his mouth, and by so doing he “works” the work of God. The answer to part two of your question is: ***You turn your Faith loose!***

Galatians 5:6 speaks of Faith that works by Love. This is spiritual Substance produced from the “Faith” Seed. Love is a fruit of the Spirit and not some fuzzy feeling. God *is* Love! ***One who embodies the Word of Wisdom is the “Tree of Life.”*** Wisdom, who is called Mary, is the mother of Love (God), and the Spirit and Life of Wisdom is her Father.

Jesus was called the son-of-David; Solomon was also a son-of-David. Solomon was filled with the Wisdom of God, and Jesus is a fruit (descendent) of Solomon.

The Word called “Jesus” is the Seed of Faith. This “Seed” is the Holy Seed of Knowledge which must come first, in order for one to be able to produce the Tree of Wisdom. This Tree will then bear the “Fruit of Wisdom,” whether her fruit be of Peace, Love, Joy, Faith, or some other fruit. The substance of a “seed” is a tree (body), and the substance of the tree is her fruit. Both the Tree (Body) and her Fruit ascend up from the earth out of the same Seed. ***The Fruit of the Spirit comes through the Mother of all Life,*** which is the embodied Word of Wisdom that comes down out of heaven from God by Divine Revelation.

Romans 14:23 says, “Whatsoever is not of Faith is sin.” “Sin” simply means the “mortal” senses or the natural mind. 2 Thessalonians 1:3 speaks of ***Faith that groweth exceedingly.*** By this we see that, like all seed, the Seed of Faith -- after it is planted and quickened -- grows and increases in bodily substance.

James 2:26 says that, “Faith without works is dead.” A dead, dormant seed produces nothing out of itself, and ***neither does the Seed (Word) of Faith grow and produce Substance if it is not alive and at work.*** The letter of the Law is dead until it is quickened by the Spirit and raised from its “dead state.” Without a body, the Father is not pleased. Please read Romans 12:1-3; Ephesians 4: 7-16; Colossians chapter 1, noting verses 21-22; and Hebrews 10:1-10, especially noting verses 5-10. Also read the parable of the five talents in Matthew 25:14-30. It is essential to study these Scripture references if you are to understand these writings.

2 Timothy 2:8 tells us that Jesus Christ is the Seed of David and that he was raised from the dead. A “seed” cannot bring forth out of itself substance in the form of a tree, and afterward the tree bring forth her substance in the form of her fruit, ***unless the “Seed” first falls into the ground and “dies” and puts off its present (Seed) form.*** (See 1Corinthians 15:34-38.)

Jesus, the Seed of Promise called Faith, was raised from the dead letter of King David, the psalmist. David was promised that his descendents would build the temple of the Lord. This promise came to pass in Jesus, the Son-of-David. A son of a King is a Prince who is heir to his Father's throne. Jesus was called the "Prince of Peace" after the order of Melchizedek.

Jesus fulfilled the Law of the Senses of an earthly man **when he embodied the Word of the Law, the Prophets, and the Psalms**. In so doing, he overcame the Law of the Senses (sin), and by the works of the Spirit, **the Holy Father in him**, he overcame death. One will overcome death when he "lets" the Peace of God rule his heart and mind.

When the Son of Wisdom (Peace) rules, the peaceable Fruit of Righteousness will appear; her name is **Love**, and she casts out fear. **When there is no more fear of death, death has no more power!** The example set forth in the man Jesus is given to every earthly man to follow and to do likewise.

Solomon, the son (Seed) of his father King David (whose name means Love) had many "wives." In Biblical terms, many wives means "much Wisdom." Out of the womb of **one** of Solomon's wives (Pearls of Wisdom) came Jesus, the fruit of Wisdom called the Prince of Peace, in whose loins is the Seed-of-Love called the Christ. The name "Jesus" means the Word that is Truth, wherein is Peace. "Christ," the Bride, is the beloved Light of the Word, wherein is Life.

John 1:17 says that Grace and Truth came by Jesus Christ. God is Truth, and the embodied Word of God is Jesus, the "Seed of Truth," called the Substance of Faith. 1 Peter 1:9 says that **"the end of your faith is the salvation of your soul."** The "end" of a "seed" is its "fruit"! The beginning of the next generation of its kind is the "Seed" that is in the fruit of the first seed, **at his end!**

After the Seed ("Word") of Truth is planted in one's heart and is quickened by the Spirit of God, it will grow and increase in Substance. After the Seed produces a Tree and the Tree produces her Fruit within the one in whom it is planted, the Spirit of the Father will "move" upon his heart, and by the "unction" of the Spirit **the Word of Faith is sent forth, or "turned loose."** By the words of his own mouth this man is "walking" with God. **He is also doing the work of God and he lives by Faith.**

Out of the abundance of the increase of Living Substance of Truth in a man's heart, the mouth speaks. All that is not Truth is the increase of the flesh -- the

fruit of the doctrines of men. ***One who works the work of Faith will have no need to boast of his fruit; the “evidence” (proof) of his works and their kind will be obvious in his fruit. His creative words of Faith that he sets free when he turns them loose will return to him, fulfilled many-fold!***

Beware of false teachers and false prophets who claim they have the Seed (Word) of Faith and/or the Fruit of Faith, but they do lie. Not only do those who boast in themselves not have the Seed, the Tree, or the Fruit of Faith, ***but they have absolutely no concept of what It is or where to find It.***

*There are those who attempt to force themselves to “love” others, thinking this is keeping the so-called “commandant” of Love. This carnal effort and work of the senses has absolutely nothing to do with the “Fruit of Wisdom.” **God is Love! When one is in the likeness of God, he does not need to force himself to be what and who he is!***

The “substance” of a seed is the body or tree that comes out of the seed (Word), and the “evidence” of the kind of tree (body) is seen and known in the tree’s fruit. The fruit is unlike the seed out of which it came, in that one can eat the fruit alone and live, but one cannot live by bread (Seed) alone. Therefore it is imperative that one bear the fruit of the Spirit and eat it. He must then plant the Seed which is ***in*** the fruit, in order to have a never-ending supply of all things by which ***he can live and not die.*** This is how a man lives by Faith!

God is not pleased with a dead, dormant, inactive, and non-productive Seed. The fruit of Life’s Substance can only come forth out of the ***Living*** Word which continues to increase its Substance and bring forth fully ripened “fruit, more fruit, and much more fruit” forever, worlds without end. “Worlds” means forms of Life, or Life-expressing through forms.

This is what Faith is and this is how Faith works. This is how a man obtains a testimony (evidence) that God is pleased with him, and this is the ***only*** way one can have an experience as Enoch had. (Read Hebrews 11:1-6.)

There are many today who profess to be “saved,” but most of them do not possess the “Seed of Faith,” let alone its Tree (or Body), and its Fruit which is the end of the Seed of Faith -- ***whereby they may be saved!*** The living, growing, and ever-increasing Seed or Word of Faith produces out of itself Life and immortality -- ***and not death!*** Faith (Jesus) came that ye may have Life and ***be “saved” from death!*** If the Word of God in you does not produce the

Substance and the power to overcome death and to overcome the Law by which death came, *pray tell me* what does it **do** for you? **And how and when will you ever overcome death?**

We cannot be “saved” in death; we must be “saved” from death! A fighter who is defeated while he is in the ring is not crowned the winner... at some future time!!! His defeat in the ring is the end of the fight.

We are not saved by “the death of a Seed,” but rather we are saved by the resurrection and the Life of the “Seed” **in a new form**. This is he, the Seed, **who was**, and **is not**, but **yet he is!** This is he who was a “Seed,” and is now the same Seed -- but in a new, resurrected, and living bodily form. The immaculate conception of the incorruptible Seed of God (Faith) becomes a Living, Incorruptible, and Immortal Bodily Form. The Holy Father gives every Seed a form according to what pleases Him. Read chapter 15 of 1Corinthians. ***This is what the end of our Faith is – this is how Faith works!***

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