What is Faith?

Faith, in its simplest form, is how you interact with God. For every action of faith, there's God's part and there's your part. Faith is your *proper* response to what God says, what God does and who God is. Here are some examples of this.

- -If God tells you something, it's faith to listen.
- -If God warns you, it's faith to take heed.
- -If God commands something, it's faith to obey.
- -If God says, Go, it's faith to Go.
- -If God says, 'Seek Me,' it's faith to seek Him.
- -If God comes as a Lion,
 - it's faith to treat Him in humble and fearful reverence.
- -If God comes as a Lamb, it's faith to approach Him as the Lamb, and not as a Lion.
- -If God promises to hear our prayers, it's faith to pray.
- -If God makes a promise, it's faith to believe it.
- -If God sends Prophets, it's faith to receive prophecy.
- -If God rebukes, it's faith to repent and adjust.
- -If Jesus is walking by, and you have an issue of blood, it's faith to go touch Him.
- -If Jesus says, "Come out on the water," it's faith to come out on the water.
- -If God says 'come to the Throne of Grace with Confidence', then it's faith to come.
- -If God gives us the Bible, it's faith to read, learn, memorize and obey it.
- -If God dies for your sin, it's faith to receive forgiveness.
- -If God gives you a dream, it's faith to consider it and pray about it.

If you do anything that does NOT have a corresponding part from God, then that is outside of Faith. i.e. #1 You have faith to win the lottery. But wait, what was God's part? Did God specifically promise that you would win? If not, then this is not really faith. #2 If God says, "Go left" and you respond, "I will go, but I'll go right", then that's not the proper response, and it will be done outside of faith. #3 If God give you a message of Mercy, and you preach a message of Wrath and Judgment, then that's not faith.

And there are other things where God does His part, but people do NOT do their part. Jesus said to His disciples, '*Watch and Pray so that you will not enter into Temptation*.' Since the disciples did NOT do their part, they did fall, got scared, and ran away. As was prophesied, '*I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered*.'

So, in conclusion, Faith is how you interact with God. It is your proper response to what God says, what God does, and who God is. And for every action done in Faith, there is God's part and there is your part. And when these two things come together, great things happen; signs, wonders, miracles, healings, etc. As a minister once wrote, *"Without God, you can't. But without you, God won't."* So remember, *Have Faith*!

