



WORDS MATTER: Faith

What the words we use truly mean.

Opening Prayer:

Heavenly Father, you have called us to fear, love and trust in you above all things. Grant us faith in your Son by Your Spirit that we might do these things rightly. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Q: How might you define the word "faith" if someone asked you what it meant?

Q: Look up the word faith in a dictionary. How is it defined there? Are these definitions consistent with your thoughts about faith as a Christian?

Q: How does faith come about? Is it up to each person to work it within themselves? Read 1 Corinthians 12:3.

Q: Is faith about what you know? Read Matthew 21:32.

**Q: Who surprisingly knows the truth about God and yet could never be spoken of as having saving faith?
Read James 2:9.**

**Q: What other parts of our body other than the mind do the Scriptures speak about in relation to faith?
Read Romans 10:9-10.**

Q: What does faith bring forth in our lives? Read Galatians 5:22-25.

Q: Does faith only work godly characteristics within us or does it bring forth specific works? Read Romans 3:31.

Q: Thinking about all of this, how might we define faith as Christians?

Closing Prayer:

Almighty God, without Your Spirit we cannot have faith in You. Fill us with faith and all the fruits of your Spirit, that we might serve you and our neighbors with our entire lives. Amen.