

LIVING BY FAITH - 2



SOME FACTS OF FAITH

Two stories:

1. Elisha at the Gate of Samaria - **2Kg.7: 1-2.**
2. Peter and the draught of fishes - **Lk.5: 1-11.**

Lessons from the two stories:

1. The two stories are about hard times or times of lack.
2. The two stories are about famine and failure.
3. The two stories ended with breakthroughs and miracles (divine provision).
4. The breakthroughs and miracles came by the word of God - **2Kg.7: 1.**
5. The two stories show us the need to live to by faith.

Faith Defined - **Heb.11: 1.**

1. Faith is the (material) substance of things hoped for... (**Heb.11: 1**).
2. Faith is the evidence (or proof) of (invisible) things not seen (**Heb.11: 1**).
3. Faith is seeing beyond self - **Prov.3: 5-6.** See beyond your means, abilities and strengths. See beyond your problems, inabilities and weaknesses also.
4. Faith is seeing beyond other men - **Jer.17: 5-6.** See beyond their means, abilities and strengths, and see beyond their inabilities and weaknesses also.
5. Faith is seeing beyond the situation - **2Cor.4: 18.** Any situation can change at any time -

6. Faith is seeing beyond today or present time. God is not never late or limited by time - **Heb.13: 8**. Examples - Man who despised Elisha's Prophecy & Martha.

7. Faith is seeing beyond what Satan can do or what Satan is doing - **Jn.10: 10**.

Examples - Job & The Tares (**Matt.13: 24-30**).

8. Faith is seeing only what God can do who can do all things) - **Lk.1: 37**.

9. Faith is looking up to God - **Heb.12: 2a**.

10. Faith comes by the word of God - **Rom.10: 17**.

11. Unbelief or lack of faith is sin before God - **Rom.14: 23b**.

12. We MUST ALL learn to to live by faith - **Mk.11: 22; Hab.2: 4; Rom.1: 17; Gal.3: 11; Heb.10: 38**.

Conclusion:

Faith is believing God's word - What God says about you and your situation.