

**“Great Faith, Little Faith,
According to your Faith”**

Matthew 8 and 9

Faith is the link between

Human need

1. **Sickness – vs. 1-16**
2. **Storms – vs.23-27**
3. **Satan – vs. 28-34**
4. **Sin – vs. 1-7**
5. **Disease – vs. 20-22**
6. **Death – vs.23-26**
7. **Darkness- vs.28-30**
8. **Dumb – vs. 32-34**

God's help

1. **He heals – v.3**
2. **He calms – v.26**
3. **He releases – v.32**
4. **He forgives – v.2**
5. **He cures – v.22**
6. **He conquers – v.25**
7. **He opens- v. 30**
8. **He casts out – v.33**

It means

- **Faith = to be persuaded, sure of, confidence in the character of a person.**
- **Great = of intensity : so much.**
- **Little = of degree or intensity: slight.**
- **Able = to be capable, strong enough.**
- **According to : out of, coming from.**

I. Faith's connection – v.2

Faith finds an object to call on, to claim.

In our passage He's the Christ, the Son of God! (3:17, 4:3, 23; 7:27,28)

Faith of any kind (great or small) seeks a solution to life's problems and finds it in a higher power!

I. Faith's connection – v.2 - 17

1. Faith sees the need – “a leper” etc.

Numbers 11:14 – I'm not able..

Jeremiah 10:23 – it's not in man to..

Mark 5:26 – spent all ... grew worse

John 5:7 – I have no man to help.

John 6:9 – (5+2) what are they?

Acts 27:20 – All hope was gone

Romans 5:6 – without strength

I. Faith's connection – v.13

2. Faith seeks the Helper – v.2, 5, v.16

Job 42:2 – you can do everything

Jeremiah 32:17 – nothing too hard..

Daniel 3:17 – He can deliver us

Luke 1:37 – nothing shall be ..

2 Corinthians 12:7 – grace sufficient

Ephesians 3:20 – to do exceedingly ..

Hebrews 7:25 – save to the uttermost

Jude 24 – keep from falling

It's vain, causes pain

Man

Psalm 118:9

Jeremiah 17:5

Matthew 26:33

Luke 18:19

1 Corinthians 10:12

Money

Psalm 52:7

Proverbs 18:11

Luke 12:19

1 Timothy 6:17

Myths

Jeremiah 5:12

Revelation 13:12

I. Faith's connection – vs. 8-10

3. Faith is sure by the Word

John 20:29 – blessed are those

Acts 27:25 – I believe God, it shall be..

Romans 4:21 – promised, perform

Hebrews 11:13 – were persuaded of..

Romans 10:17 – by hearing

Faith Connects

**Any faith seeks help;
Great faith is sure by His word!**

**Have you come?
Are you coming?**

Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!" Mark 9:24

2. Faith Calms (vs. 23-27)

Faith removes fear, changes panic to peace, moves us from extreme anxiety to limitless awe!

“What time I am afraid, I will trust in the Thee.” Psalm 56:3

2. Faith Calms (vs. 23-27)

- 1. Being a follower of Jesus won't keep the storms of life away- v.24**
- 2. Seeing the storm and expecting the worst brings fear – v.25**
- 3. Coming to Jesus and letting Him calm the storm is faith – v.26**

Faith sees the help in the storm, fear sees the hurt of the storm.

Fear not, Faint not

Genesis 26:24

1 Kings 17:13

2 Kings 6:16

Isaiah 41:10

Isaiah 43:2-4

Matthew 10:30

2 Corinthians 4:1,16

Hebrews 12:5

3. Faith's Challenge – vs. 28,29

**People: Abraham, Caleb, David, the 3,
Paul, and _____**

Promise: Psalm 31:19, 34:22, 125:1

Proverbs 3:5, 29:25 Isaiah 12:2, 26:3&4

Hebrews 11:1-3 1 John 5:4

Practice: Hebrews 11:6

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