

Why I Believe Faith Is Reasonable

Scripture Reference: [Hebrews 11](#)

Introduction

Faith is one of the most essential elements of the Christian life. It defines our relationship with God and shapes how we see the world.

What Is Faith?

1. What Faith Is *Not*

- Faith is not a blind leap in the dark.
[Hebrews 11:3](#) – “By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God’s command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.”
- Faith is not the ability to make God do anything we want.
[Hebrews 11:1](#) – “Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”
- Faith is not just knowing all the right facts or following all the right rules.
Biblical faith is a relationship with a personal and living God.

2. The Biblical View of Faith

A. Faith is a response to God’s revelation.

Revelation is God disclosing Himself to humanity through three main ways: Nature, His Word, and Jesus Christ.

[Romans 1:17](#) – “The just shall live by faith.”

[Romans 1:19–20](#) – “Since the creation of the world, His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and divine nature, so that men are without excuse.”

B. Faith is also a gift.

- [Galatians 5:22](#) — “The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, and faith.”
- [1 Corinthians 12:9](#) — Faith is listed among the spiritual gifts.
- [Romans 12:3](#) — “God has dealt to each one a measure of faith.”

Every believer has a different measure of faith, but all faith originates from God.

3. Why I Believe Faith Is Reasonable

A. Faith is reasonable because it connects us to a source greater than ourselves.

[Hebrews 11:1–3](#) — “Faith is the substance of things hoped for...” Abel offered his sacrifice by faith.

B. Faith is reasonable because it enables us to walk with God.

[Hebrews 11:5](#) — “Enoch walked with God.”

C. Faith is reasonable because it allows us to work for God.

[Hebrews 11:7](#) — “By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family.”

D. Faith is reasonable because it allows us to wait on God.

[Hebrews 11:9–10](#) — “By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country... For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God.”

Conclusion

Are you struggling with faith in God today? The answer is to take Him at His Word. Let go of your assumptions and trust fully in His promises.

Faith is not about control—it’s about confidence in the One who is in control.