What Does Faith Mean?

What is the Hebrew and Greek meaning behind "faith?"

- 1. Go to: "Blueletterbible.org" and enter a search for the verses below.
- 2. Hebrew click "tools" for Gen 15:6 or Ps 78:22, and click the Strong's number for "believe."
- 3. Greek click "tools" for Matt 8:10 or 9:22, and click the Strong's number for "faith."
- 13) Then Moses said to God, "Behold, I am about to come to the sons of Israel, and I will say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you.' And they will say to me, 'What is His name?' What shall I say to them?" 14) And **God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM**"; and He said, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you." 15) And God furthermore said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, 'Yahweh, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is My name forever, and this is My memorial-name from generation to generation. (Ex 3:13-15, LSB)

3) Now Moses went up to God, and Yahweh called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob and tell the sons of Israel: 4) 'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I lifted you up on eagles' wings and brought you to Myself. 5) So now then, if you will indeed listen to My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be My treasured possession among all the peoples, for all the earth is Mine; 6) and you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the sons of Israel." (Ex 19:3-6, LSB)

Then a man of God came to Eli and said to him, "Thus says Yahweh, 'Did I not indeed reveal Myself to the house of your father when they were in Egypt, enslaved to Pharaoh's house? (1 Sam 2:27, LSB)

Three main purposes of the Mosaic Covenant / Law of Moses? Impact of when it was irretrievably broken?

What did Jewish religious authorities do to the Law over time (Matt 15:1-20; Mark 7:1-15)?

Why was the New Covenant made? Conditional? What was promised to the Believer? (Ezek 36:18-28; Jer 31:31-34)

Does God's name reveal His living existence?

God's definition of faith?

Significance of Exodus to faith?

- 7) If you have come to know Me, you will know My Father also; from now on you know Him, and have seen Him." 8) Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us." 9) Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all so long and have you not come to know Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; how can you say, 'Show us the Father'? (John 14:7-9, LSB)
- **19)** Therefore Jesus answered and was saying to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing from Himself, unless it is something He sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, these things the Son also does in the same manner. (John 5:19, LSB)
- 49) For I did not speak from Myself, but the Father Himself who sent Me has given Me a commandment—what to say and what to speak. 50) And I know that His commandment is eternal life; therefore the things I speak, I speak just as the Father has told Me." (John 12:49-50, LSB)
- 27) Then He said to Thomas, "Bring your finger here, and see My hands; and bring your hand here and put it into My side; and do not be unbelieving, but believing." 28) Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" 29) Jesus said to him, "Because you have seen Me, have you believed? Blessed are those who did not see, and yet believed." 30) Therefore many other signs Jesus also did in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; 31) but these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name. (John 20:27-31, LSB)
- "Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill. (Matt 5:17, LSB)
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- 3) For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God did: sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and as an offering for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, 4) so that the righteous requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. (Rom 8:3-4, LSB; 1 Pet 2:21-24; Rom 3:25; Heb 9:12-14, 24-26; 1 John 2:2; 4:10)
- "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter. (Matt 7:21, LSB; John 5:21-24; Rev 20:11-15; 21:15; Gen 15:18-20)

How did Jesus Christ fulfill the Law?

Now He said to them, "These are My words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that **all things which are written about Me in** the Law of Moses and **the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled**." (Luke 24:44, LSB)

How did Jesus fulfill the Psalms and the Prophets?

- 5) He saved us, not by works which we did in righteousness, but according to His mercy, through the washing of **regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit**, 6) whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, 7) so that having been justified by His grace, we would become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. (Tit 3:5-7, LSB; Isa 53; Ezek 36:26-27; Jer 31:33; John 14:26)
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- 21) For just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, even so the Son also gives life to whom He wishes. 22) For not even the Father judges anyone, but He has given all judgment to the Son, 23) so that all will honor the Son even as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him. 24) "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life. (John 5:21-24, LSB)

8) But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart"—that is, the word of faith which we are preaching, 9) that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; 10) for with the heart a person believes, leading to righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, leading to salvation. 11) For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes upon Him will not be put to shame." (Rom 10:8-11, LSB)

Is the Exodus or Jesus Christ the only evidence of God (Josh 24:11-14)?

What makes the faith of Abraham so remarkable to God (Heb 11:8-10 / Josh 24:2; Gen 12:1-4; Gen 22:1-12; Heb 11:17-19)?

If demons believe, do they have faith (Jas 2:19-21)?

Is faith a form of work (Jas 2:8-10, 15-26)? How are they related?

How is faith and obedience related (1 Sam 15:1-23; Mark 12:32-34) / (Matt 15:1-9)? Is it possible to express faith with work without obedience?

How is this associated with Exodus 19:5-6?

Significance of Jesus' atonement and crucifixion to faith? Why does Paul mention who raised Jesus Christ?

Is faith a gift from God (Eph 2:4-8 / John 3:16; 4:10)?

Does God choose / elects whom He will save (Gen 17:7; Deut 10:14-16)? What is the role of the Mosaic Covenant?

Before the foundation of the world (Eph 1:3; 1 Pet 1:1-2)?

Example: Esau (Matt 12:33-37; Heb 12:16-17; Mal 1:1-5 / 2 Pet 3:8-9)

Who does God draw (John 6:44-45; 12:64-65 / John 6:37-38)?

Example: Simeon (Luke 2:25-32)

Example: John the Baptist (John 1:30-34)

Example: Cornelius (Acts 10:40-45)

Example: Lydia (Acts 16:13-14)

Who does Jesus draw (John 12:32-33)?

How (John 13:34-35; 15:4-5)?

From faith to faith (Rom 1:16-17)?

Assurance of things hoped for, things not seen (Heb 11:1; 2 Cor 5:5-8)?

How do I know if my faith is growing???

Mark 4:39-41

Matt 8:8-10