What You Need To Live

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Luke 17:5,6

"The apostles said to the LORD, "Increase our faith!"

He replied, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you.



"Where" is your faith?

-Jesus (Luke 8:25)



Luke 17:7-10

"Suppose one of you had a servant plowing or looking after the sheep. Would he say to the servant when he comes in from the field, 'Come along now and sit down to eat'?

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Would he not rather say, 'Prepare my supper, get yourself ready and wait on me while I eat and drink; after that you may eat and drink'? Would he thank the servant because he did

Luke 17:7-10

what he was told to do? So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty."

The Fuel of Faith is Sacrifice



Genesis 12:1,2

"The LORD had said to Abram, Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you. I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing."

Genesis 12:8, 13:18, 22:9

"...where he built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the Lord."



Genesis 15:2-6

"The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Do not be afraid, Abram. *I am your shield, your very great reward*.

But Abram said, "O Sovereign LORD, what can you give me since I remain childless and the one who will

Genesis 15:2-6

inherit my estate is Eliezer of Damascus?" He took him outside and said, "Look up at the heavens and count the stars--if indeed you can count them." Then he said to

Genesis 15:2-6

him, "So shall your offspring be."
Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness."



Genesis 22:2,4-5

"Then God said, 'Take your son, your only son, Isaac, whom you love and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains I will tell you about."

Genesis 22:2,4-5

On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you."

Abraham took the wood for the burnt offering and placed it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two of them went on together, Isaac spoke up and

said to his father Abraham, "Father?" "Yes, my son?" Abraham replied. "The fire and wood are here," Isaac said, "but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?"

Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together.

When they reached the place

God had told him about, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. He bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then he reached out

his hand and took the knife to slay his son. But the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven, "Abraham!"

"Here I am," he replied.

"Do not lay a hand on the boy," he said.

"Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son."

Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son.

So Abraham called that place <u>The LORD Will Provide</u>. And to this day it is said, "On the mountain of the LORD it will be provided."

The Source of Faith is God's Love



Romans 8:31-32

"If God is for us, who can be against us? 32 He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?"

1. Remember God's Faithfulness.



Psalm 77:11,12

"And I said, "This is my fate; the Most High has turned his hand against me." But then I recall all you have done, O LORD; I remember your wonderful deeds of long ago.

Psalm 77:11,12

They are constantly in my thoughts. I cannot stop thinking about your mighty works.



Isaiah 26:3

"You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you!"



2. <u>Pray continually.</u>

"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

3. Give thanks in all circumstances.





