



Faith That Moves Mountains

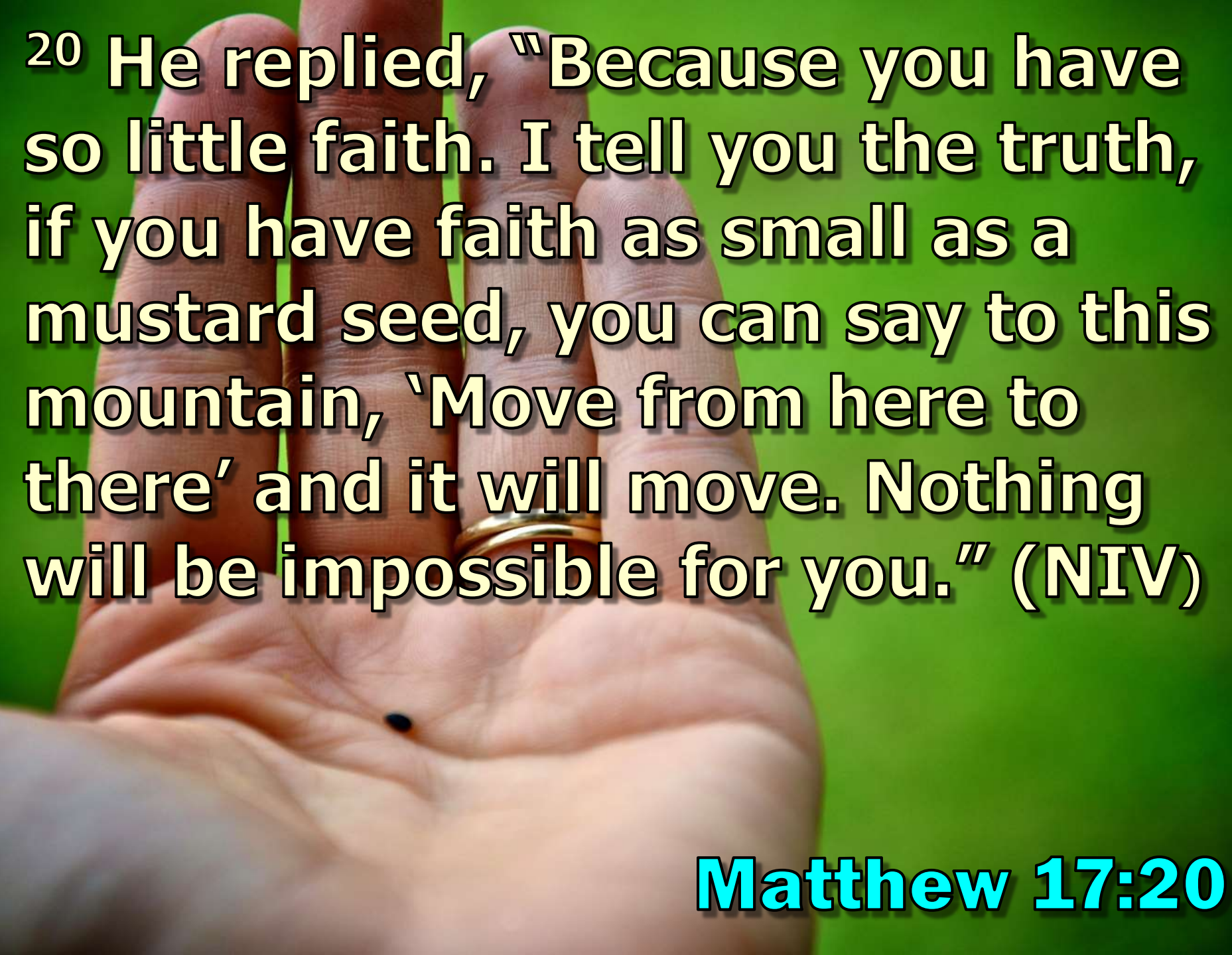
Topic: Faith

Matthew 17:20; Hebrews 11:1-6

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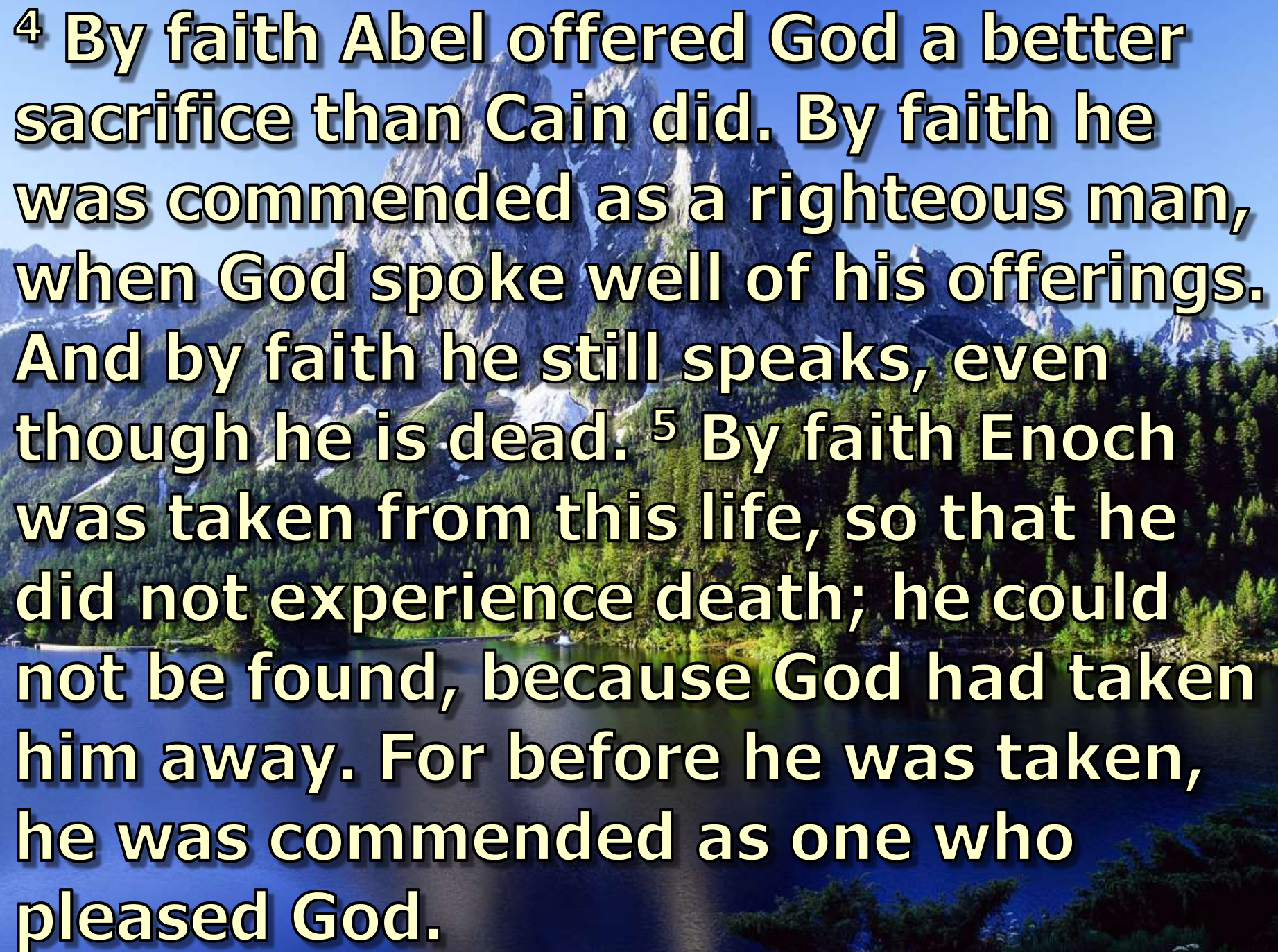


20 He replied, "Because you have so little faith. I tell you the truth, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you." (NIV)

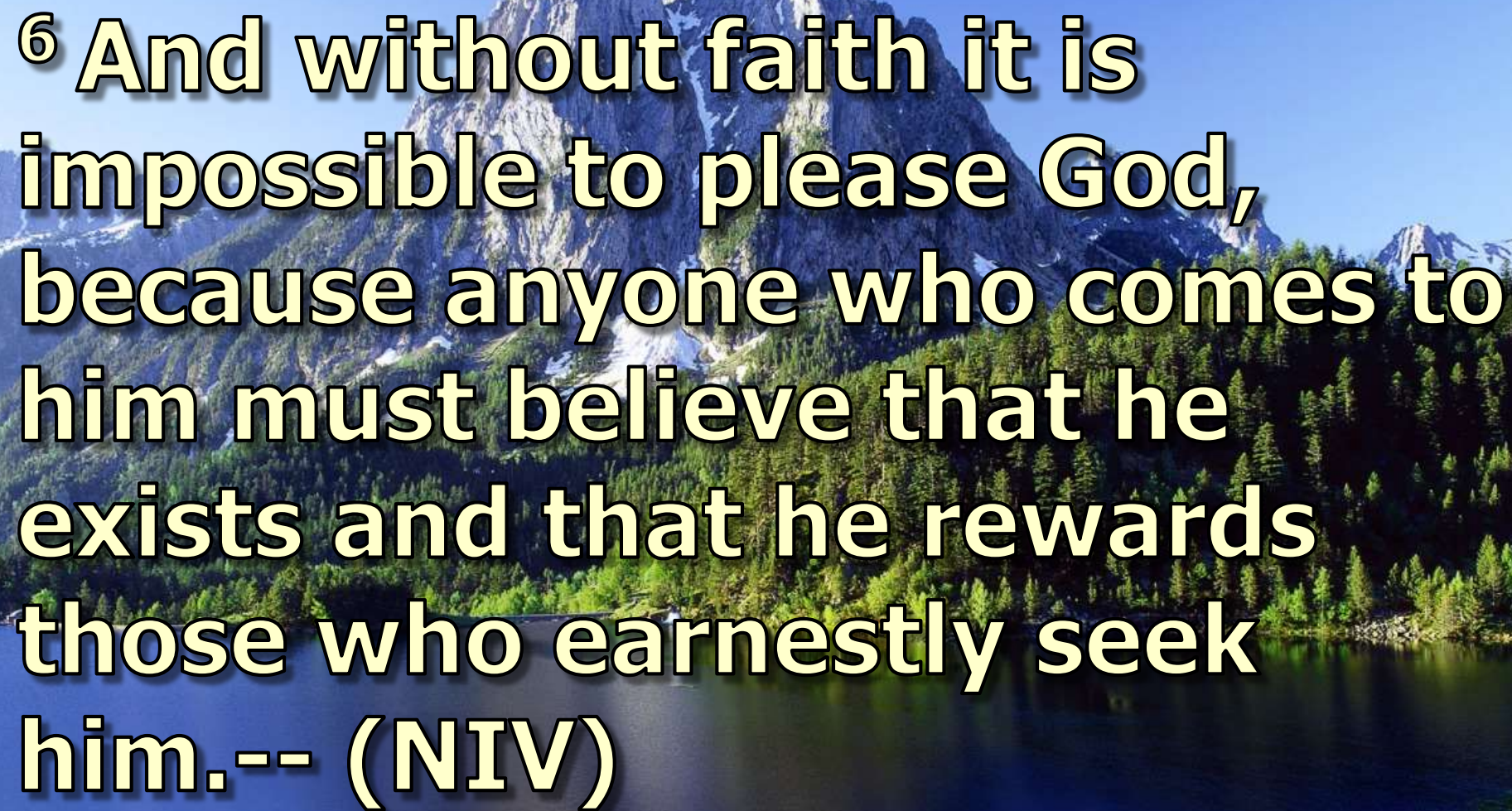
Matthew 17:20

Hebrews 11:1-6

¹ Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. ² This is what the ancients were commended for. 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.

The background of the image is a vibrant, scenic landscape. It features a deep blue lake in the foreground, reflecting the sky and the surrounding greenery. The middle ground is filled with dense, lush green forests that cover the slopes of the mountains. In the background, majestic, rugged mountains rise against a clear, bright blue sky. Some of the mountain peaks are covered in patches of white snow or ice, particularly in the higher, more sheltered areas. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and majestic, providing a natural backdrop for the text.

4 By faith Abel offered God a better sacrifice than Cain did. By faith he was commended as a righteous man, when God spoke well of his offerings. And by faith he still speaks, even though he is dead. 5 By faith Enoch was taken from this life, so that he did not experience death; he could not be found, because God had taken him away. For before he was taken, he was commended as one who pleased God.



⁶ And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.-- (NIV)



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What Is Real Faith?

1. It Is NOT Just Something You Say.

James 2:14 What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? (NIV)

Matthew 7:21

**“Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.
(NIV)**

2. It Is NOT Just Something You Feel.

James 2:15-16 ¹⁵ Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. ¹⁶ If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? (NIV)

1 John 3:17

**If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him?
(NIV)**

3. It Is NOT Just Something You Think.

James 2:18 But someone will say, "You have faith; I have deeds." Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by what I do. (NIV)

4. It Is NOT Just Something You Believe.

**James 2:19 You believe
that there is one God.
Good! Even the demons
believe that—and shudder.
(NIV)**

5. It Is Something You Do.

James 2:20 Fool! When will you ever learn that “believing” is useless without doing what God wants you to? Faith that does not result in good deeds is not real faith. (LB)

Ephesians 2:8-10

⁸ For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—⁹ not by works, so that no one can boast. ¹⁰ For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. (NIV)

**A. The Basis of My Salvation is
Trusting In God's Grace**

**B. The Proof of My salvation is
My Good Works**.

What It Means To Have REAL Faith

1. Faith Is Believing When I Don't See It.

Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.--
(NIV)

2. Faith Is Obeying When I Don't Understand It.

Hebrews 11:8 It was faith that made Abraham obey when God called him to go out to a country which God had promised to give him. He left his own country without knowing where he was going. (GNB)

**3. Faith is Giving When I don't
Have it.**

Hebrews 11:4 By faith Abel offered God a better sacrifice than Cain did. By faith he was commended as a righteous man, when God spoke well of his offerings. And by faith he still speaks, even though he is dead. (NIV)

2 Corinthians 8:2-3

Out of the most severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. 3 For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, (NIV)

4. Faith is **Persisting** when I
don't **Feel** it.

Hebrews 11:27 It was by faith
that Moses left Egypt and was
not afraid of the King's anger.
He held to his purpose like a man
who could see the invisible."
(JB)



5. Faith is Thanking God before I
Receive it.

Hebrews 11:30 By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the people had marched around them for seven days. (NIV)

Mark 11:20

Early next morning, as they walked along the road, they saw the fig tree. It was dead all the way down to its roots. (GNB)

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6. Faith is Trusting God even if I Don't Get it.

Hebrews 11:39-40 ³⁹ These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised. ⁴⁰ God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect.
(NIV)



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