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THE CHURCH... YOUR PURPOSE

For the week of Sunday, May 15, 2022

Teaching Series: STRONGER – Living Out Your Faith

Message Title / Pastor: Stronger In Your Faith – Pastor Bill Wilson

MESSAGE OVERVIEW

No one wants to have weak faith. Everyone wants to face life with strong faith, make decisions with clarity, and face challenges with courage.

James 2 focuses on true and authentic faith and helps the reader to understand the difference between "saving faith" and "showing faith".

Q: Where or when were you "born again"?
Q: Who helped you early on in developing your saving faith in Jesus Christ?

SCRIPTURE

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? James 2:14

Additional Scriptures:

- Hebrews 11:1-6
- Galatians 2:16–20
- Romans 6:11
- Romans 1:17
- I Corinthians 1:9
- 2 Peter 1:4–6
- Jude 1:20

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Faith speaks of complete trust or confidence in someone or something. It also speaks about living out your convictions or your commitment through conduct towards others. This is what James addresses in James 2:1-13.

Read James 2:1-13.
What concerns or corrections did James bring in these verses?
How can we avoid this problem in the local church?

Read James 2:14-26.
What is the clear message in these verses regarding faith?
What would you say is the difference between saving faith and showing faith? Why is that important?

1. How have you been encouraged by people who live out their faith?
2. What are some ways a believer can live out their faith today?
3. Who has been a model or mentor of strong faith through deeds or works for you?
4. How can a person grow in their showing faith?

PRAYER

Father, we give thanks for our saving faith through Jesus Christ our Lord. We pray that this saving faith will lead us to show our faith through deeds and works. May we exercise the gifts You have given us and be authentic and genuine in demonstrating to others through love and good works. In Jesus' Mighty name, Amen!

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