

## Basic Christian Doctrines Bible Study

“Therefore let us leave the elementary teachings about Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again the foundation of repentance from acts that lead to death, and of faith in God, instruction about baptisms, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment.”

Hebrews 6:1-2 NIV

### Lesson Three – Faith

#### 1) What is faith?

“Now **faith is** being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.”

Hebrews 11:1 NIV

#### 2) Why is faith important?

“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.” Hebrews 11:6 NIV

“I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, **a righteousness that is by faith** from first to last, just as it is written: ‘**The righteous will live by faith.**’ ” Romans 1:16-17 NIV

“who **through faith are shielded** by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.” 1 Peter 1:5 NIV

#### 3) Do I have to work to be saved?

“For it is **by grace** you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— **not by works**, so that no one can boast.” Ephesians 2:8-9 NIV

“Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—**continue to work out your salvation** with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose.” Philippians 2:12-13 NIV

Read: James 2:14-26 NIV

“As the body without the spirit is dead, so **faith without deeds is dead.**” James 2:26 NIV

“For we are God's workmanship, **created** in Christ Jesus **to do good works**, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” Ephesians 2:10 NIV