

JUNE 14

## “FAITH IS NOT A FEELING: IT IS AN ACT OF OBEDIENCE.”

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### **READ**

*1 Peter 1:3-9*

When you live in the world, you can't help but be affected by it. How do you react when bad things happen? You don't have to worry about what comes next. God will take care of His own. Your Heavenly Father is willing, able, and more than capable of taking care of you. Have faith in God! Faith is not a feeling: it is an act of obedience. Faith is simply believing what God said and doing it. There are two phases of faith. Saving faith is the trust you put in God to believe Him for your salvation. Active faith begins once you're born again. Every step you take in following Christ is an act of faith. All the heroes of the Bible had active faith to do something they were afraid to do, or thought impossible to do, but because God said to do it, they obeyed. God is simply asking you to believe Him in your particular situation. He's asking you to step out in faith, trust Him with your life. Will you say, "Whatever comes, I choose to believe the Lord?" That's active, daily, mighty, moving faith.

### **PRAY**

Lord, I praise You that I am saved by faith. Works are not the cause of my salvation, but they are the evidence of it. That's why You say faith by itself, if it doesn't have works, is dead. I pray today for a lively hope and a living faith.

*From September 28, 2008*