**BATTER’S BOX: START: SPIRITUAL BIRTH**

Knowing Christ; Infant

**MODULE 3: BASIC BIBLE TEACHINGS 2**

**LESSON 2: FAITH**

Hebrews 6:1-3; Key verse: 1; Mark 11:21

**I. MEANING**

 **A. FIRM \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

 1. Conviction from within

 2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the Entity

 **B. ASSURANCE AND CERTAINTY**

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

 1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of what we hope for

 2. Certain of what we don’t see yet

 *“Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible, and receives the impossible.”*

**II. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

 **A. Source**

***Luke 17:5*** *5The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!"*

 **B. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Mark 11:22*** *22"Have faith in God," Jesus answered.*

 **C. Author and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Hebrews 12:2****2Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.*

***Hebrews 12:2 (KJV)*** *2Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith…*

***Hebrews 12:2 (The Message)*** *Keep your eyes on Jesus, who both began and finished this race* *we're in.*

 **D. Means: God’s Word**

***Romans 10:17*** *17Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.*

**III. ESSENTIALITY**

 **A. For \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Ephesians 2:8-9***

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

 **B. For Christian Living**

***Romans 1:17*** *17For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last,[*[*a*](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke%2018:8;%20Romans%2010:17;%20Joshua%2014:12;%20Ephesians%202:8-9;%20Romans%201:17;%20Romans%2014:23;%20John%206:28-29;%20Ephesians%206:16;%20Hebrews%2011:6;%20James%201:5-6;%20James%202:17;%20Galatians%205:6;%202%20Chronicles%2020:20;%20Matthew%208:13;%20Matthew%2021:21;%201%20Samuel%2014:6;%20Matthew%2021:22;%20John%2014:12;%20Romans%2010:11;%20Colossians%201:23;%20Hebrews%204:3;%20James%202:5;%201%20John%205:14;%201%20Peter%202:6&version=NIV#fen-NIV-27933a)*] just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith.”*

 **C. For \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Romans 14:23*** *23But the man who has doubts is condemned if he eats, because his eating is not from faith; and everything that does not come from faith is sin.*

 **D. For Godly Work**

***John 6:28-29***

*28Then they asked him, "What must we do to do the works God requires?"*

*29Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent."*

 **E. For \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Ephesians 6:16*** *16In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.*

 **F. For God’s Pleasure**

***Hebrews 11:6*** *6And 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.*

 **G. For Answered \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***James 1:5-6***

*5If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. 6But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt, because he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind.*

**IV. INDISPENSABLE COMPANIONS**

 **A. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***James 2:17*** *17In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.*

 **B. Love**

***Galatians 5:6*** *6For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.*

**Suggested Memory Verses:**

***Hebrews 11:1*** *(KJV)*

***11****Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.*

***James 2:17***  *(KJV)*

***17****Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.*

***Note:*** *All Scriptures are taken from the NIV unless otherwise noted*