EVERYDAY FAITH A STUDY IN THE BOOK OF JAMES

Everyday Faith lets no man tear it asunder from love



What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him?

(2:14)

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast?

(Ephesians 2:8, 9)

If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that?

(James 2:15, 16)



But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder! (James 2:18, 19)

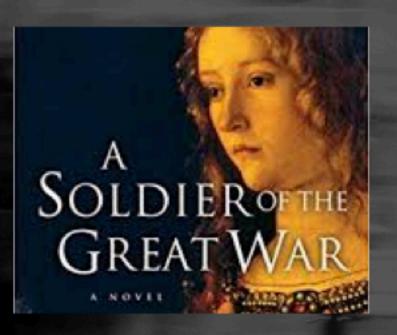


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"faith...active along with. . . works, and faith completed by. . . works"

(v. 22)



We can sit for days, with you memorizing knots, technique, and rope handling, but in the first hour of climbing you'll learn more than anyone can tell you in a month--because your life will depend on the knots, the way you place a piton, and how you run the rope. . . .



"Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness."

(Genesis 15:6, Cited in James 2, Rom 4, Gal 3)





Rahab harbors the spies



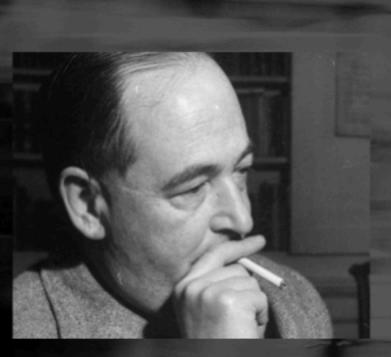
For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

(Ephesians 2:10)

Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do

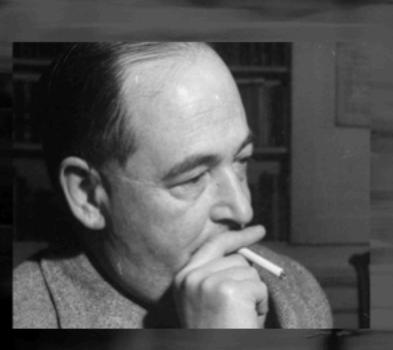
(John 14:12)





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To trust Him means, of course, trying to do all that He says. There would be no sense in saying you trusted a person if you would not take his advice. Thus if you have really handed yourself over to Him, it must follow that you are trying to obey Him. But trying in a new way, a less worried way.



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Not doing these things in order to be saved, but because He has begun to save you already. Not hoping to get to Heaven as a reward for your actions, but inevitably wanting to act in a certain way because a first faint gleam of Heaven is already inside you.



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The message of Jesus Christ, in sum, is this: Salvation is not in your hands. . . . Therefore be bold. . . .



