


4 TIPS TO PUMPING UP YOUR FAITH

HERE ARE FOUR TIPS THAT CAN HELP TO STRENGTHEN AND INCREASE YOUR FAITH:

1 READ GOD'S WORD.



Reading an exciting story in the book of Acts.

What are you doing?

FAITH COMES FROM HEARING, AND HEARING THROUGH THE WORD OF CHRIST.¹ READING THE BIBLE AND OTHER STORIES THAT BOOST YOUR FAITH IN GOD IS ONE OF THE BEST WAYS TO STRENGTHEN YOUR FAITH. YOUR FAITH IS ALSO STRENGTHENED WHEN YOU PUT GOD'S INSTRUCTION AND DIRECTION INTO ACTION.

2 ACT ON YOUR FAITH.



Look at our son! He is putting his faith into action.

Hi! I know there is limited space, but I am hopeful ...

FAITH BY ITSELF, IF IT IS NOT ACCOMPANIED BY ACTION, IS DEAD.² FAITH REQUIRES ACTION. IT TAKES WORK TO PUT YOUR FAITH INTO ACTION, BUT THE RESULTS ARE WORTH THE EFFORT!


3 PRAISE IS THE VOICE OF FAITH.



As I use praise, my "faith muscles" grow stronger!

LET US DRAW NEAR TO GOD WITH A SINCERE HEART AND WITH THE FULL ASSURANCE THAT FAITH BRINGS.³ WHEN YOU VOICE YOUR FAITH THROUGH PRAISING GOD, IT INVITES THE FRUITS OF FAITH INTO YOUR LIFE. WHEN YOU PRAISE, IT'S LIKE PUMPING UP YOUR MUSCLES OF FAITH, GIVING YOU GREATER CONFIDENCE IN GOD'S PROMISES.

4 KEEP FEAR AND DISCOURAGEMENT AT BAY.



The WEASEL of DISCOURAGEMENT

GRRR!

Chew! Chomp!

PRAISE

EVERYONE WHO HAS BEEN BORN OF GOD OVERCOMES THE WORLD. AND THIS IS THE VICTORY THAT HAS OVERCOME THE WORLD—OUR FAITH.⁴ FEAR AND FAITH CANNOT COEXIST; AS YOU LOOK TO JESUS IN FAITH, THEN FEAR WILL BE LEFT BEHIND. FAITH ALSO OVERCOMES DISCOURAGEMENT. FEAR AND DOUBT ARE VERY REAL, SO IF YOU FEEL THEM ATTACKING YOUR FAITH IN GOD'S PROMISE TO YOU, PRAY, READ GOD'S WORD, AND PRAISE HIM. YOUR FAITH IN GOD WILL REPLACE THE NEGATIVE THOUGHTS.

Footnotes

¹ Romans 10:17 ESV

² James 2:17 NIV

³ Hebrews 10:22 NIV

⁴ 1 John 5:4 ESV