

Faith in God

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True faith in God requires a personal and dynamic relationship, where we believe God and trust in his promises.

Scripture: John 20:29, Romans 4:21, Hebrews 11:6, James 2:23

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Description

Robert S. Candlish emphasizes the importance of not just believing in the omnipotence of God as a theological concept, but in truly believing God Himself. True faith involves a personal relationship with God, where He speaks, promises, and fulfills, and we respond by hearing, believing, and asking. This personal interaction with God is what strengthens and establishes our faith, glorifying Him in the process.

Transcript

"And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform"

(Rom. 4:21).

I at least never dream of calling in question the omnipotence of God. I perfectly well know, and am firmly convinced, that what he has promised he is able also to perform. And yet I see not how that knowledge and conviction will of itself make me, or any man, strong in faith. Very true, O friend. To believe that God is omnipotent, however strongly, with whatever full persuasion, when that belief is the mere admission of a dogma in theology, a general truth or proposition, proved by reason and affirmed in Scripture; so to believe and be fully persuaded and assured that what God has promised he is able also to perform; will go but a little way towards strengthening or establishing you in that faith which glorifies God. But let me again remind you that the faith in question is believing God; not believing something about God, but believing God. It is a personal dealing of God with you, and of you with God. He and you come together; he to speak, you to hear; he to promise, you to believe; you to ask, he to give.

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