Faith Showed

(Highlighting faith in action)

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**James 2: 14-18**

**14**What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? can faith save him? **15**If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, **16**And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit? **17**Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone. **18**Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.

**Introduction:**

Our text this morning highlights the practical and outward expression of faith as a reflection of its true nature. James says show me thy faith without thy works, and I will show thee my faith by my works. This morning I would like to talk to you about three aspects of faith showed. Neglect one of these three aspects, and you will have a hard time showing your faith.

**Body**

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**Hebrews 11: 7**

**7**By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.

* First off, taking a stand for someone in need. Proverbs 31: 8-9
* Secondly, taking a stand for biblical values in your community or workplace. Matthew 5: 14-16
* And thirdly, making a difficult decision based on integrity. Proverbs 10:9
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**Mark 2: 3-5**

**3**And they come unto him, bringing one sick of the palsy, which was borne of four. **4**And when they could not come nigh unto him for the press, they uncovered the roof where he was: and when they had broken it up, they let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay. **5**When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee.

* Church you need three things in order to show faith by persistence.

**(Trust the process.)** We should have faith in God’s healing process. By His stripes we are healed.

**(Take creative action.)** When you see that there are obstacles in your way, be creative in finding a way around them. Remember I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

**(Believe in the outcome**.) Holding on to hope, and continuing in your faith knowing that God is with you. This can lead to breakthroughs and healings, whether it's emotional, physical, or spiritual. Now the God of hope fill you with all joy in believing, that ye may abound in hope through the power of the Holy Ghost.

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**Acts 3: 6: 6-7**

**6**Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk. **7**And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. **8**And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God.

* Faith could mean trusting that God will guide you and take action, even when you don’t see the immediate results.

Hebrews 11: 1