

Study QUESTIONS

Ep. 1033: How Do I Relight the Fire of My Christian Faith?

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SHOW NOTES

1. What is the biblical definition of faith and what are some synonyms for it? What is the difference between faith and credulity (or gullibility)? On what do we base our faith? (See Hebrews 11:1)
2. What does faith require to be vital? What is zeal? How can we glorify God with our zeal? How can zeal be applied negatively? (See James 2:18-20, 3:16, John 2:15-17)
3. What is an effective way to reignite zeal in our faith? What did Jesus use to help his disciples overcome their discouragement on the road to Emmaus? Is emotion or intellect more important in strengthening our faith and why? (See Luke 24:13-34)
4. Give practical suggestions to increase your zeal if discouragement lingers. What three things can help to bring us back from a feeling of hopelessness? (See Deuteronomy 31:6, 2 Corinthians 1:8-11)
5. Why was Elijah depressed despite having just vanquished the priests of Baal? How did God help Elijah get through his depression? How do God's remedies for Elijah apply to us? Our relationships with fellow Christians can take two different paths in regards to depression. Describe these paths in times of abundance of faith and in times of weakness or discouragement. (See 1 Kings 19:1-18, 2 Corinthians 4:7-11)
6. What did Peter say when Jesus predicted "*the sheep... will be scattered*"? Why did Peter deny knowing Jesus? What was Peter's former boast based upon? Which remedy did Jesus provide Peter to overcome this defeat of character? How do we get Jesus' words to settle in our hearts so that we can believe and rely on them? (See Matthew 26:31-35, Luke 22:59-62, John 21:15-17)
7. What is the difference between zeal and emotion? How can we *feed* zeal? How does obedience figure into zeal more than emotion? How can we use failure and defeat to our advantage? (See 1 Peter 1:22-25)
8. What three things can we do to relight our faith when we find ourselves becoming comfortable and complacent in our Christianity? (See Revelation 3:14-20)
9. How did Paul express his zeal in continuing his path toward his calling? What forms can zeal take in our lives? What can we do to express zeal? (See Philippians 3:12-16)
10. What steps are you going to take to choose zeal and to reignite your faith?