

How Faith Comes, Bill Annis Lesson 1

James 1:22

King James Version

But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

James 1:22 Amplified Bible

But be doers of the Word [obey the message], and not merely listeners to it, betraying yourselves [into deception by reasoning contrary to the Truth].

James 2:18

King James Version

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.

Foundation Scripture:

Romans 10:17

Amplified Bible

So faith comes by hearing [what is told], and what is heard comes by the preaching [of the message that came from the lips] of Christ (the Messiah Himself).

Foundational Thought #1:

Faith comes - it's not something we struggle for.

- 1. Faith comes when people are informed of God's will.
- 2. Faith begins where the will of God is known.
- 3. Faith comes when the finished work of Christ is proclaimed.

Acts 14:7

King James Version

And there they preached the gospel.

Romans 1:16

King James Version (KJV)

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

Acts 14:9

King James Version

The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,

Acts 3:16

Amplified Bible

And His name, through and by faith in His name, has made this man whom you see and recognize well and strong. [Yes] the faith which is through and by Him [Jesus] has given the man this perfect soundness [of body] before all of you.

Foundational Thought #2:

The purpose of teaching should be to remove all questions concerning God's will to save, heal and prosper.

- 1. When people hear what grace has accomplished they cry out, "Lord, I believe, I receive, thank you."
- 2. When people hear what Jesus has done and who He is, Faith comes to the hearer.

John 15:1

King James Version

I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.

John 15:4

King James Version

Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.

John 15:5

King James Version

I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

John 15:7

King James Version

If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

Take note of the sequence found in John 15:7

- 1. Jesus is the vine (life source)
- 2. The Father is the vine dresser
- 3. We produce from our source by abiding not doing
- 4. The one who abides brings forth **much** fruit
- 5. His words in us become the basis of our asking and it shall be done
- 6. Fruitful branches are the beauty of the tree (they cause people to admire and say, 'what a beautiful tree').

Jesus didn't die and hang the promises so high we couldn't reach them. FF Bosworth (Christ the healer)

2 Corinthians 1:20

Amplified Bible

20 For as many as are the promises of God, they all find their Yes [answer] in Him [Christ]. For this reason we also utter the Amen (so be it) to God through Him [in His Person and by His agency] to the glory of God.

Foundational Thought #3:

God says "yes" to what Jesus has done not what we do.

Isaiah 53:3-5

Amplified Bible (AMP)

He was despised and rejected and forsaken by men, a Man

of sorrows and pains, and acquainted with grief and sickness; and like One from Whom men hide their faces He was despised, and we did not appreciate His worth or have any esteem for Him.

Surely He has borne our griefs (sicknesses, weaknesses, and distresses) and carried our sorrows *and* pains [of punishment], yet we [ignorantly] considered Him stricken, smitten, and afflicted by God [as if with leprosy].

But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our guilt *and* iniquities; the chastisement [needful to obtain] peace *and* well-being for us was upon Him, and with the stripes [that wounded] Him we are healed *and* made whole.

Foundational Thought #4:

We esteem Him and His sacrifice sufficient to meet all our needs.

1. We approach Him in faith with the realization that what we have come to receive has been paid in full and placed to our account.

He was wounded for our transgressions. The chastisement of our peace was upon him. By His stripes we are healed. Take advantage of this. Faith cometh with this hearing.

Now we can understand our text.

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A doer of the WORD is simply a corresponding action.

- It always is a faith response.
- It's expressed, "Jesus I believe thank you."

How Faith Comes, Bill Annis Lesson 1 – Mini Test

Name:	
1.	What is the foundation scripture for this lesson?
2.	What is the purpose of preaching and teaching in relation to faith?
3.	A doer of the Word is one who works really hard to fulfill every requirement. True or false
4.	Doing the Word is a response; it's expressed, "Jesus, I

How Faith Comes, Bill Annis Lesson 1 – Mini Test Answer Key

- 1. Romans 10:17
- 2. To remove all questions in regards to God's will to save, heal and prosper
- 3. False
- 4. Faith / believe