

Faith is a Verb

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Our series

- **Faith**
 - Who God is
 - Coming with Boldness and Expectations



Our Focus today

- **Faith is a Verb**



David's Faith

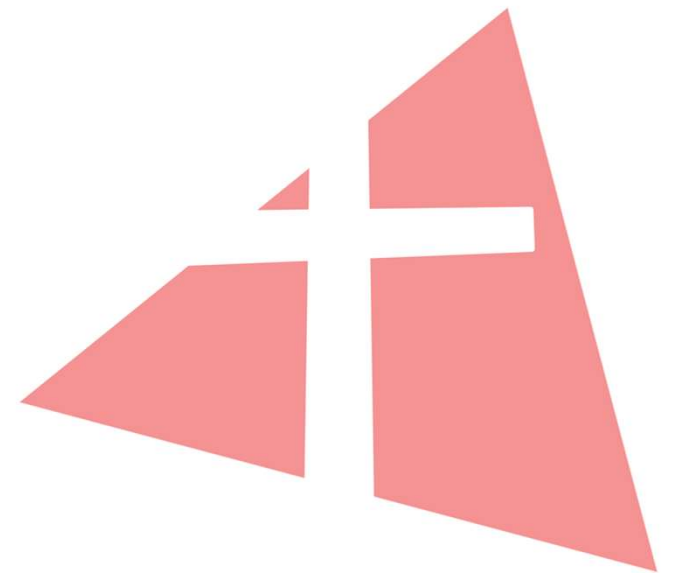
○ David facing Goliath

- He had faced a bear & a lion before

1 Samuel 17:33-37 And Saul said to David, you are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for you are but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth. And David said unto Saul, Your servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock: And I went out after him, and struck him, and delivered it out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught him by his beard, and struck him, and slew him. Your servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them, seeing he has defied the armies of the living God. David said moreover, The LORD that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and the LORD be with you.

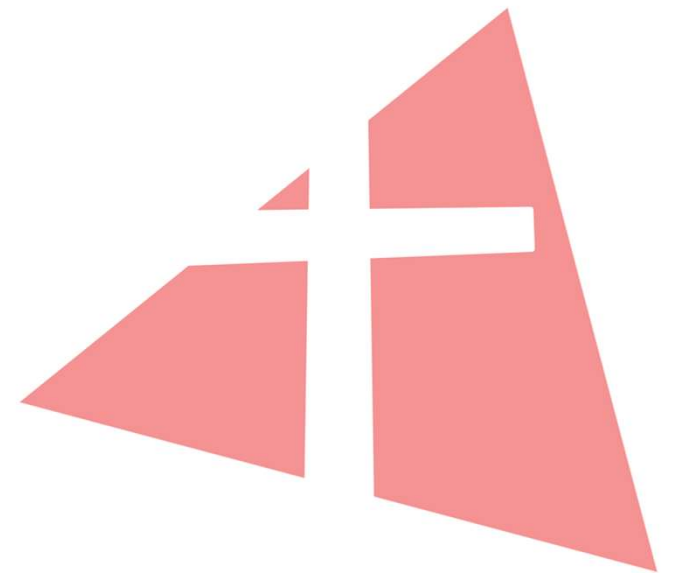
David's Faith

- **David's Faith and his actions went hand in hand**



Moses

- **God started using Moses with a relatively small miracle**



Elisha

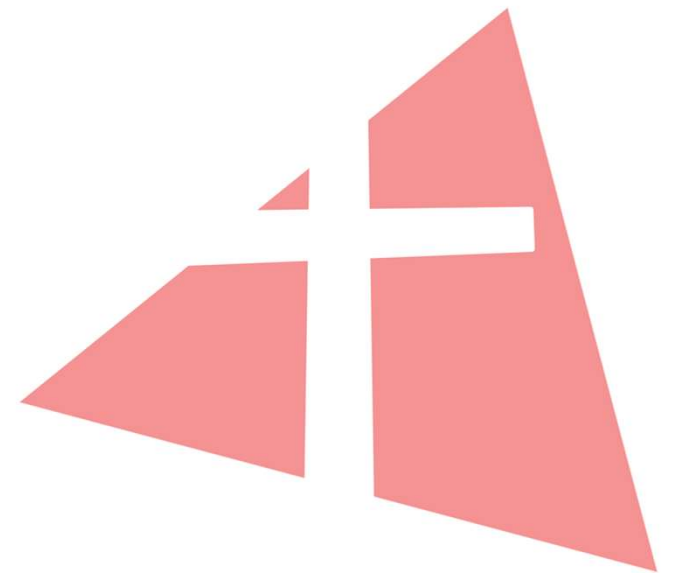
- Elisha was having doubts when Elijah was taken up to heaven

2 Kings 2:8 And Elijah took his mantle, and wrapped it together, and struck the waters, and they were divided here and there, so that they both went over on dry ground.

2 Kings 2:13-14 He took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back, and stood by the bank of Jordan; And he took the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and struck the waters, and said, Where is the LORD God of Elijah? and when he also had struck the waters, they parted to the one side and to the other: and Elisha went over.

Peter

- **God did great miracles through Peter**
- **Peter is also well known for his many mistakes**



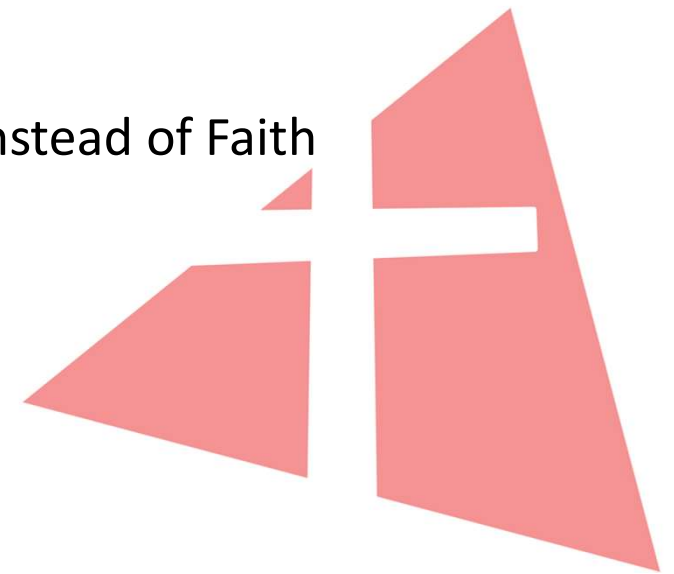
Faith and Action

- **All these believers started acting on their Faith**
- **As they acted on their Faith, God gave them even more Faith**



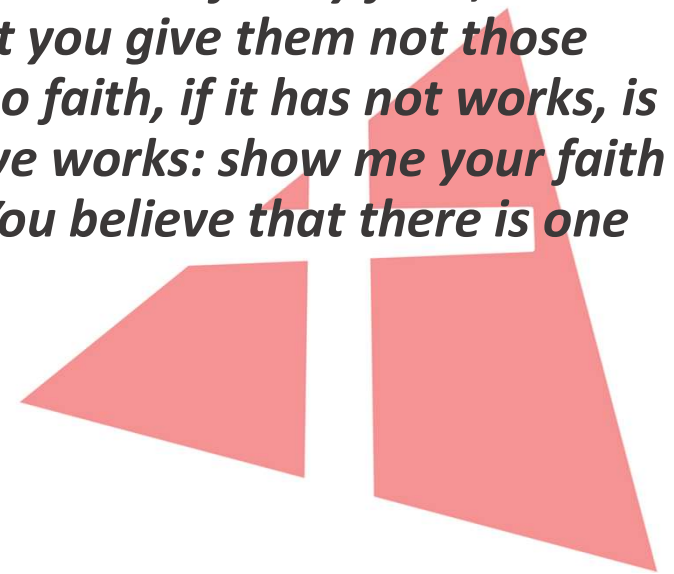
Faith and Action

- **Not acting on our Faith diminishes our Faith**
 - Allowing fear and other worldly matters to direct our lives instead of Faith



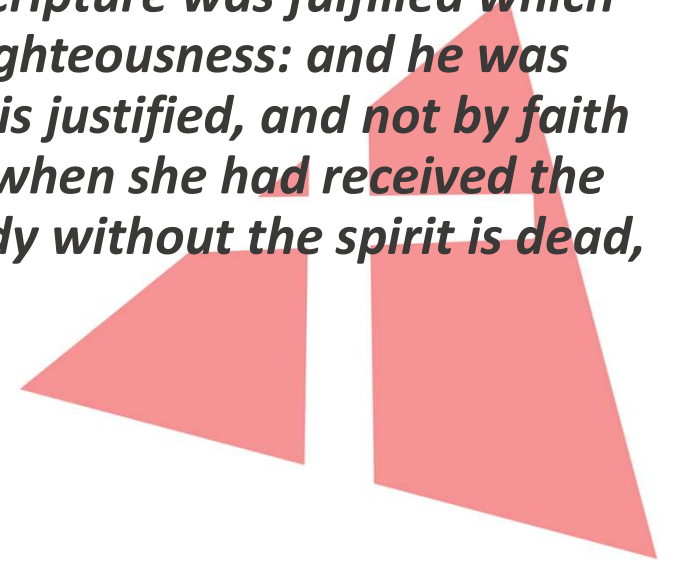
Faith without works is dead

James 2:14-26 What does it profit, my brethren, though a man says he has faith, and has not works? can faith save him? If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be warmed and filled; yet you give them not those things which are needful to the body; what does it profit? Even so faith, if it has not works, is dead, being alone. Yea, a man may say, You have faith, and I have works: show me your faith without your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. You believe that there is one God; you do well: the demons also believe, and tremble.



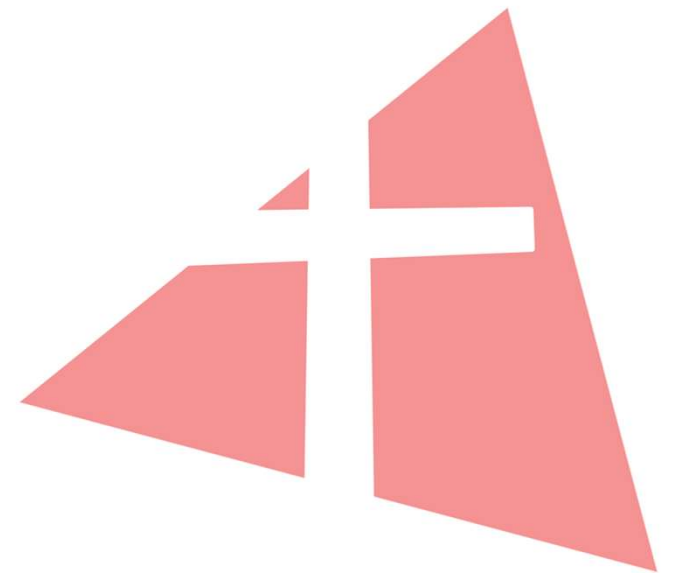
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But will you know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead? Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar? See how faith worked with his works, and by works was faith made perfect? And the scripture was fulfilled which says, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God. You see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only. Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent them out another way? For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.



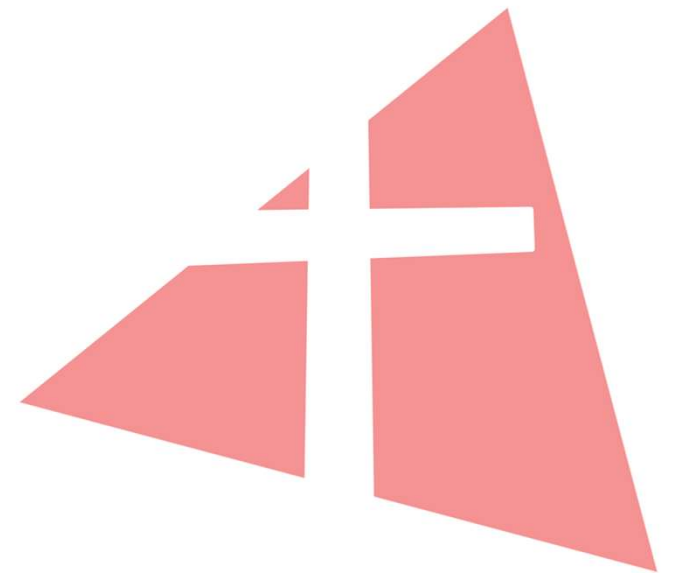
My Story

- **My journey with God and money**



In Conclusion

- **We can (and should) ask God to increase our Faith**
- **But our asking should be accompanied by our actions**
 - Putting what we say we believe in action



In Conclusion

- In what area is God asking me to put my Faith into action?

