

The Presence of Unbelief

Foundation Scriptures: I Corinthians 11:28-30

Read page 175-177: Christ the Healer by F.F. Bosworth

➤ **For this cause:** When a Christian fails to receive their healing, there is always a cause, and it is never on God's side.

• Ephesians 2:7-8

➤ You are saved by grace *through* faith.

➤ **Grace:** {Greek} *God's goodness extended to you, unearned favor*

➤ **Saved:** {Greek} *new birth, healing, deliverance, preservation*

➤ Grace extends the promises, but the promises must be received by *our* faith.

• Romans 12:3

➤ Every believer has the same measure of faith, but not every believer has the same quality of faith.

- Romans 4:19 talks about weak faith.
- Romans 4:20 talks about strong faith.
- II Thessalonians 1:3 talks about exceeding faith.
- Matthew 8:10 talks about great faith.

➤ Faith can be measured in quality, not quantity.

➤ God gave you faith, but the condition of your faith is left up to you.

➤ What determines the quality of your faith? How much you exercise it.

• Romans 10:17

➤ Faith comes by hearing, not in volume but quality.

➤ If you quit hearing, then you'll quit acting.

- **Matthew 8:5-10**

- Jesus calls his great faith; this comes by a continual action of your faith.
- His faith was connected to his words.

- **Matthew 17:14-21**

- Jesus is talking about quality of faith, not quantity of faith.
- It wasn't a lack of faith, rather the presence of unbelief that hindered the disciples.
- What was it that caused them to doubt? **Mark 9:17-25**

- **Matthew 14:23-31**

- Giving attention to what he saw and felt, instead of keeping his eyes on Jesus, weakened his faith.
- Peter received a miracle, but he also lost the miracle.

- **Romans 4:17-24**

- It's the continual act of faith and confession that causes your faith to grow and causes you to receive the promises of God.