

Dear Pastor,

You often stress attendance at worship and small groups as being very important for a Christian, but I think a person has a right to miss now and then. I think every person ought to be excused for the following reasons and the number of times indicated.

Christmas Holidays (the Sunday before & after) 2
Sleep late (stayed up too long Saturday night) 8
Deaths in family 2
Anniversary (second honeymoon) 1
Sickness (one per family member) 5
Business trip (a must) 1
Vacation (three to four weeks) 6
Bad weather (ice, snow, rain, clouds) 2
Ball games 2
Races 2
Special on TV (superbowl, etc) 3

New Years (the party lasted too long) 1
Easter (get away for the holidays) 2
July 4th (national holidays) 1
Labor Day (need to get away) 2
Memorial Day (visit hometown folk) 1
School closing (kids need a break) 1
School reopens (one last fling) 1
Family reunions (mine & wife's) 3
Unexpected company (can't walk out) 2
Time changes (spring & fall) 2

Pastor, that leaves two Sundays per year. So, you can count on us to be in church on the 4th Sunday in February and the 3rd Sunday in August unless we are providentially hindered.

Sincerely,

A Faithful Attender



Walk By Faith

2 Corinthians 5:7

For we walk by faith, not by sight.

1. The Faith Walk



I. The Faith

Walk

Behold the proud, His soul is not upright in him;
But **the just shall live by his faith.**”

Habakkuk 2:4

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Romans 14:23 (NKJV)

But he who doubts is condemned if he eats,
because *he does not eat* from faith; **for
whatever *is* not from faith is sin.**

faith ^{is} being sure
of what we hope for
& certain of what we
do NOT see. Heb. 11:1

Hebrews 11:1 (NKJV)

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.



Walking By Faith

What Does That Look Like?

Corrie Ten Boom

"If you look at the world, you'll be distressed. If you look within, you'll be depressed. But if you look at Christ, you'll be at rest." It all depends on where you've got your eyes."



Are you Faith Walking?





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Habakkuk 2:4
The Message

"Look at that man, bloated by self-importance— full of himself but soul-empty. But the person in right standing before God through loyal and steady believing is fully alive, really alive.



WALK
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2 Corinthians 4:18
NIV

So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.



“Not by might nor by power,
but by my Spirit,”
says the LORD Almighty.
Zechariah 4:6

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2. The Source of Faith

Luke 24:32 (NLT)

They said to each other, “Didn’t our hearts burn within us as he talked with us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us?”



Faith

2 Corinthians 6:16 (KJV)

16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

An open Bible is shown from a top-down perspective, held by two hands. The left cover of the Bible is dark brown or black, and the word "Faith" is printed on it in a large, bold, white sans-serif font. The pages of the Bible are visible in the center, and the right cover also appears to be dark with some faint, illegible markings. The background is dark, making the Bible and hands stand out.

Faith

Romans 12:3 (NKJV)

For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one **a measure of faith.**

An open book with a dark cover is shown from a top-down perspective. The left cover has the word "Faith" written in large, white, bold, sans-serif font. The right cover has some faint, illegible markings. A person's hands are visible at the bottom, holding the book open. The pages are white and appear to have some text, but it is not legible.

Faith

Romans 10:17 (KJV)

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and hearing by the word of God.



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**This whole teaching is a direct statement
that faith comes from accepting Jesus
and being saved.**



Faith

John 1:1

"In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was with God".



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Romans 12:3 NIV

For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with **the measure of faith** God has given you.



Faith

Hebrews 12:2 (NKJV)

looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of *our* faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.



Faith

Mark 11:22-24 (NKJV)

So Jesus answered and said to them, "**Have faith in God.**

²³ For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says. ²⁴ Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive *them*, and you will have *them*.



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Stop trying to GET more faith!



Micah 6:8 Walk Humbly

Eph 5:2 Walk in LOVE

1 Jo 2:10 Walking in the LIGHT

2 Jo 1:6 Walk in OBEDIENCE

Rom 6:4 Walk in the NEWNESS of life

Gal 5:16, 25 Walk in the SPIRIT

Eph 2:10 Walk in GOOD WORKS

Col 2:6 Walk in the LORD

Col 4:5 Walk in Wisdom

Walk in a manner WORTHY of the Lord

1 Thes 2:12

3. The Path of Faith



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Hebrews 11:29 (MSG)

29 By an act of faith, Israel walked through the Red Sea on dry ground. The Egyptians tried it and drowned.