

**“For Heaven’s Sake, What are you
doing?”**

Part 5

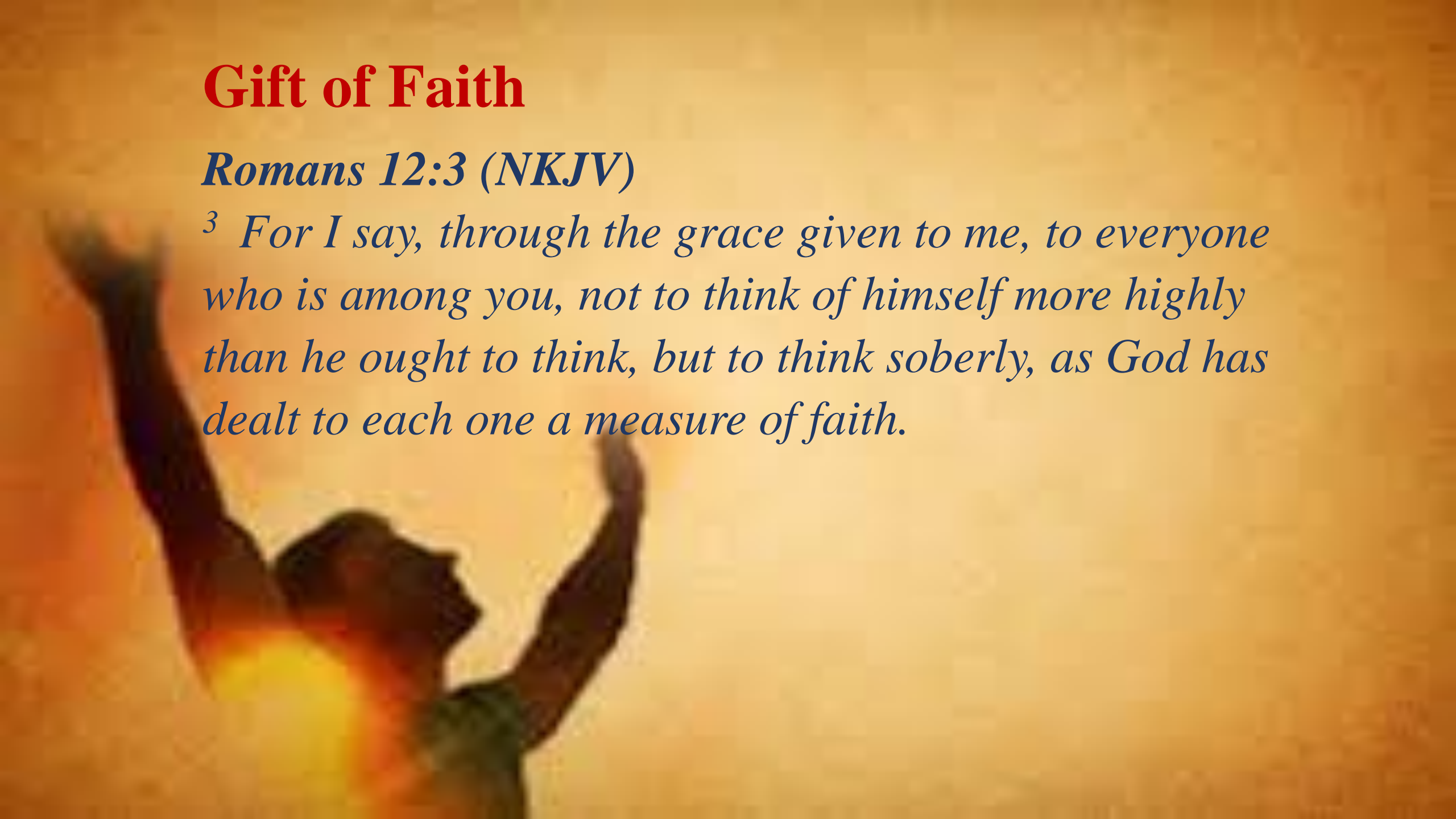
A Study on the Gifts of the Spirit



Gift of Faith

Romans 12:3 (NKJV)

³ 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.



A. God has given to everyone a gift of Faith.



B. Father has given some a supernatural ability of faith to edify the Body of Christ and to accomplish His work.

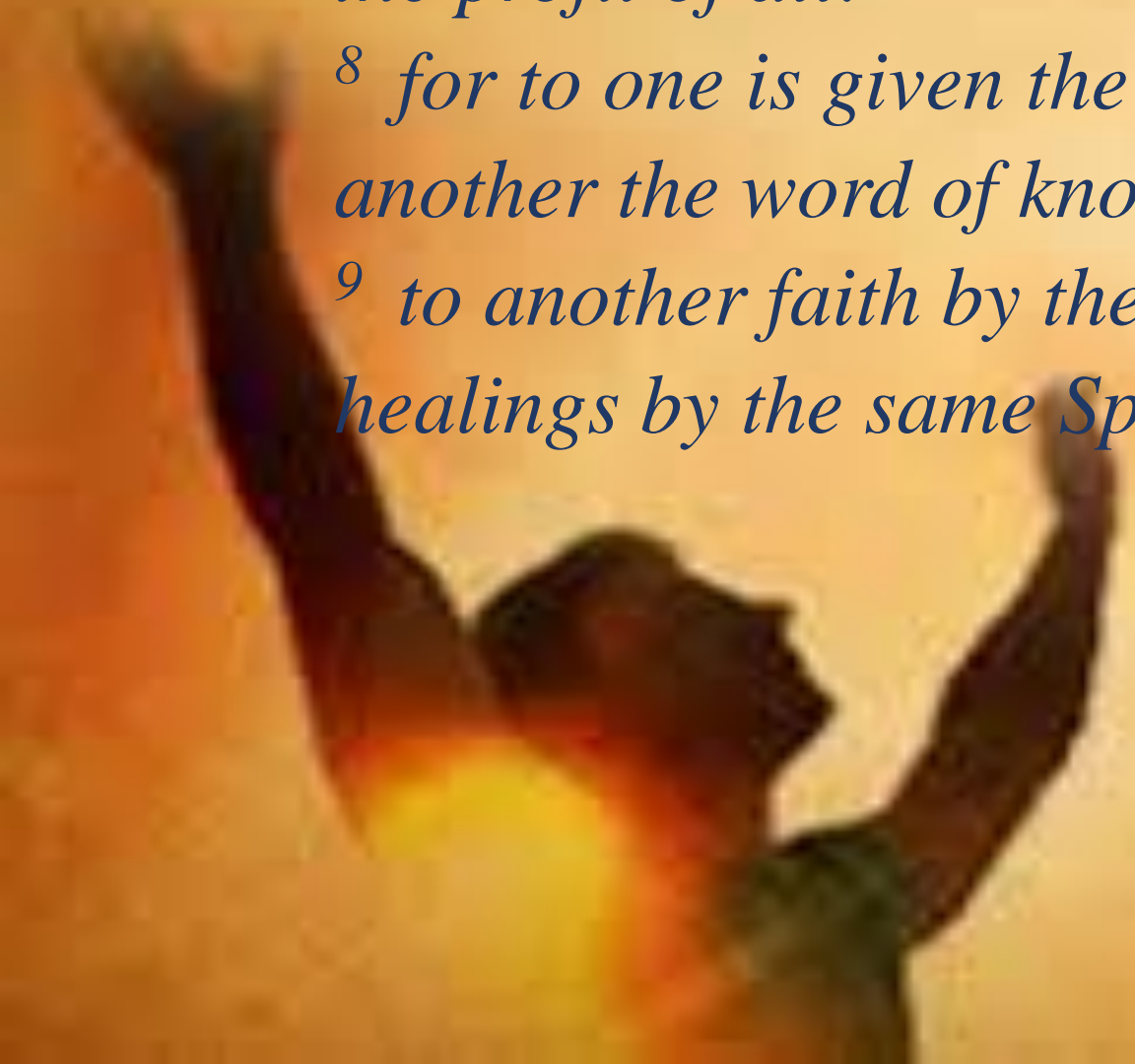


1 Corinthians 12:7-11 (NKJV)

⁷ But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all:

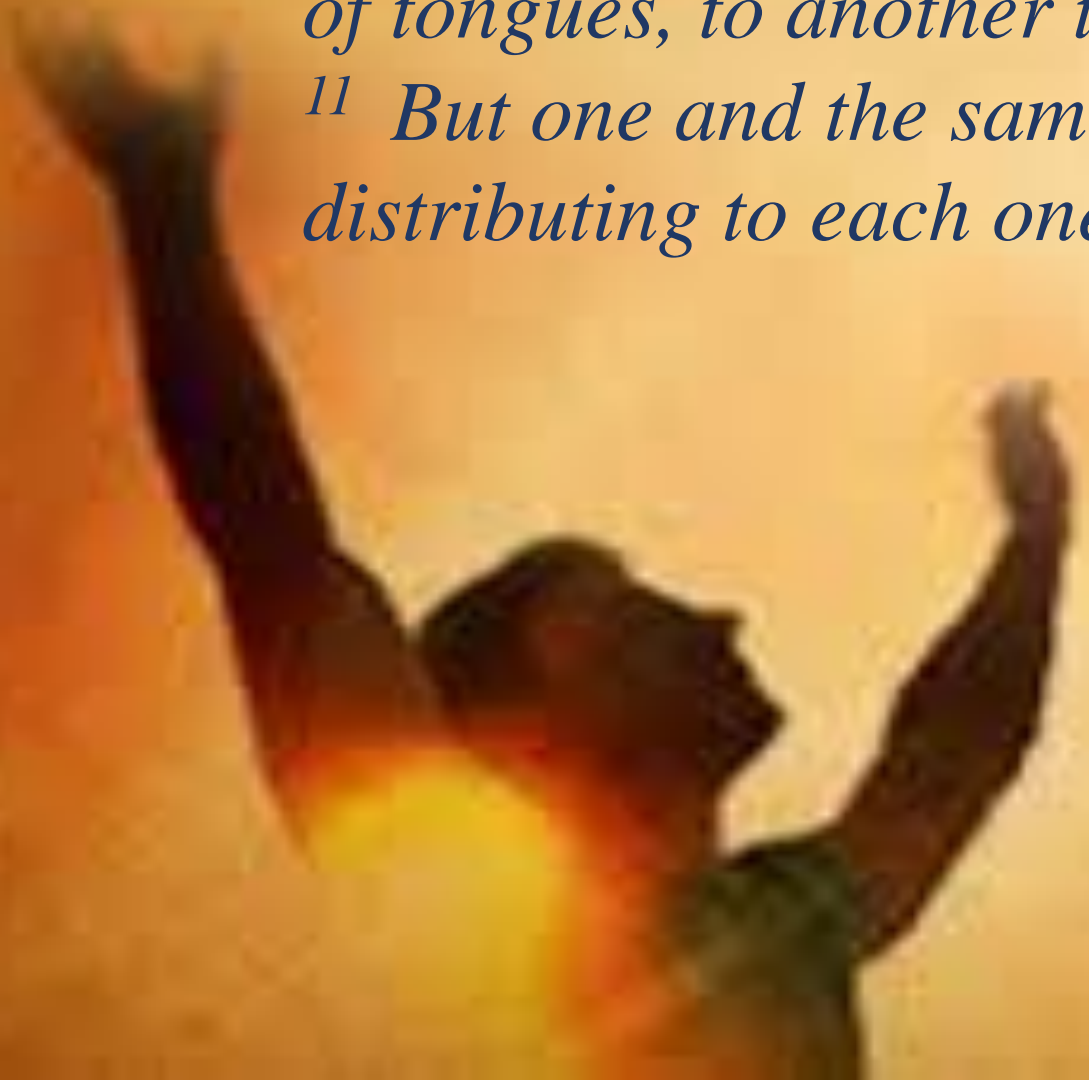
⁸ for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit,

⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit,



¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.

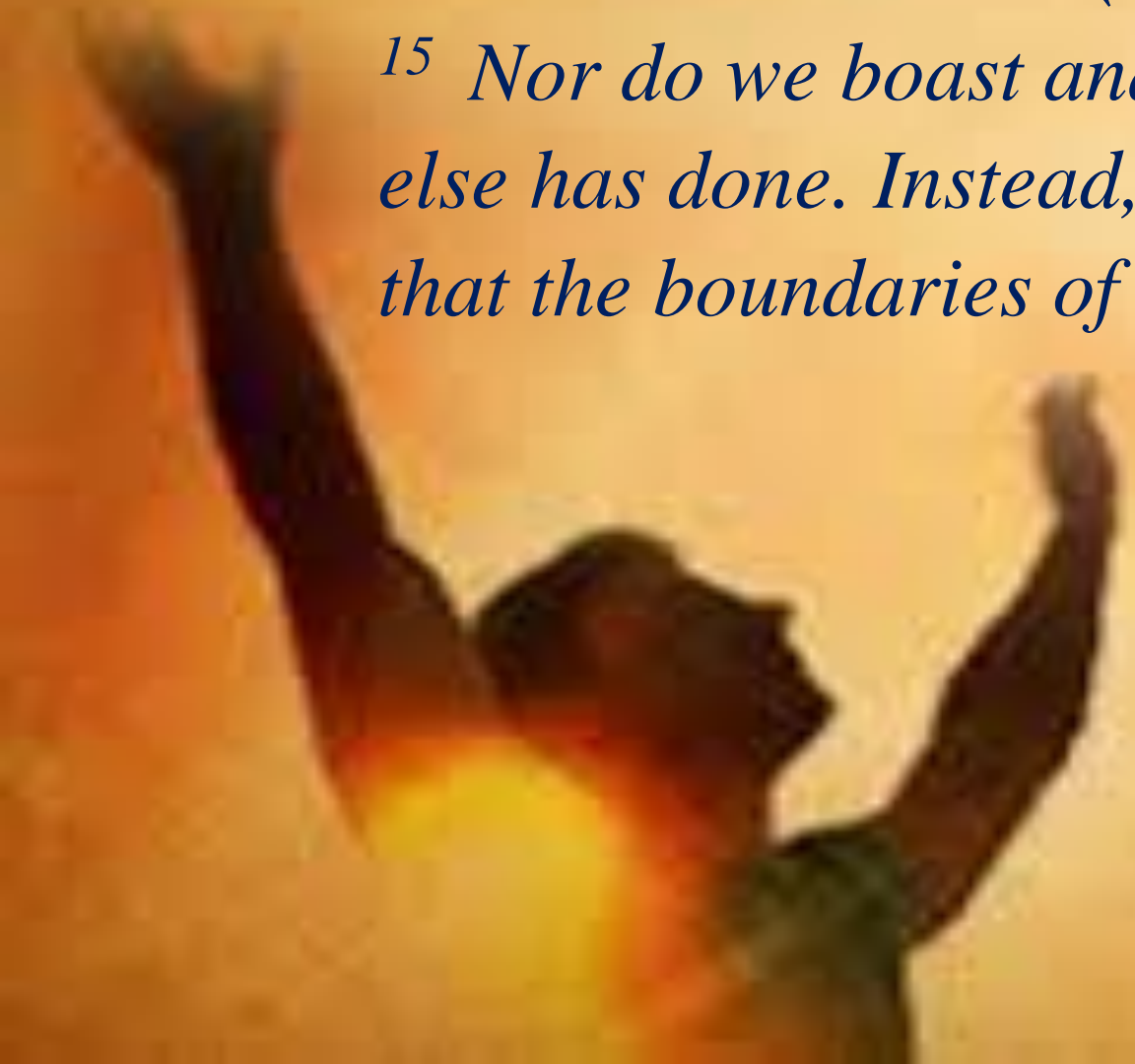
¹¹ But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.



C. greater faith can be developed by all.

2 Corinthians 10:15 (NLT2)

¹⁵ Nor do we boast and claim credit for the work someone else has done. Instead, we hope that your faith will grow so that the boundaries of our work among you will be extended.

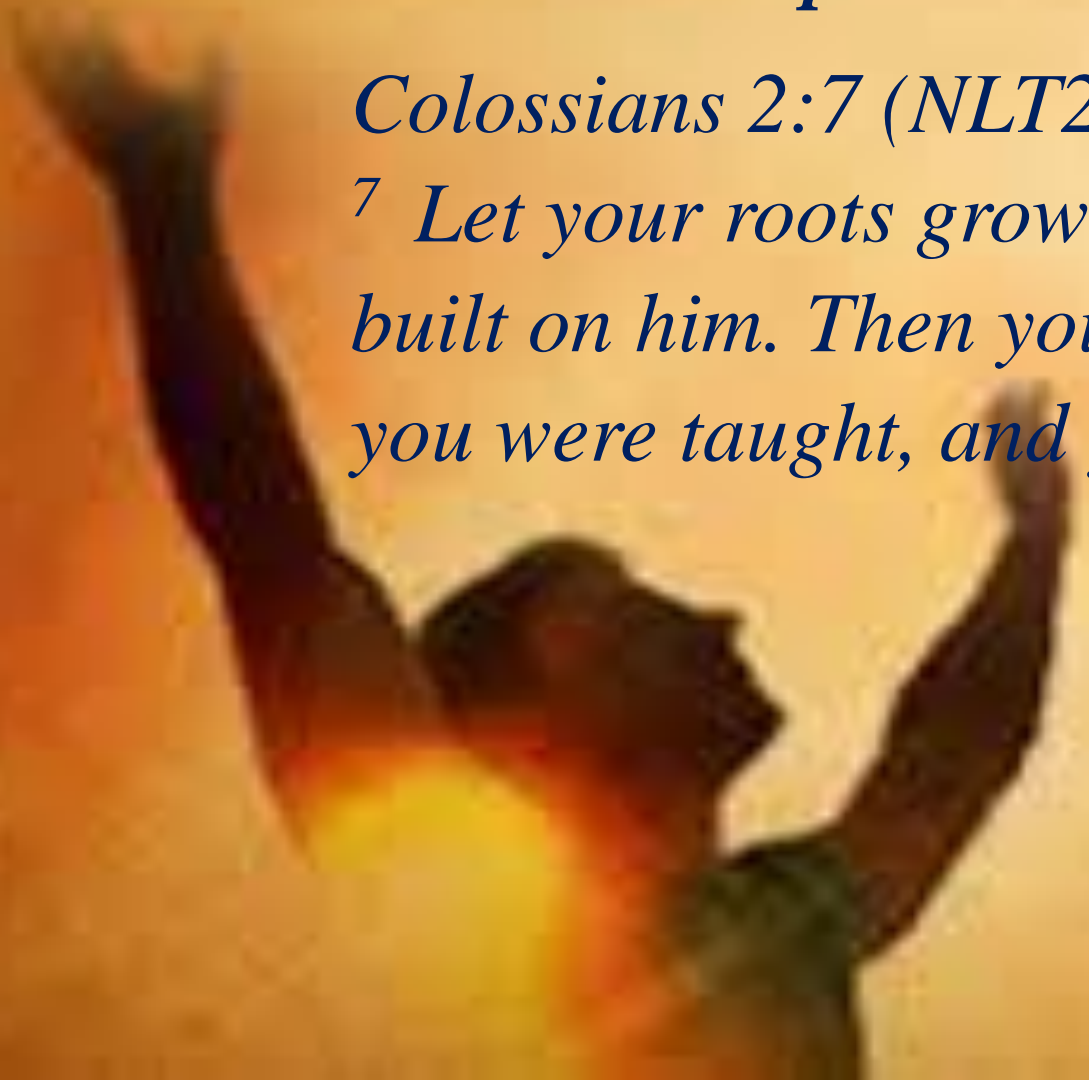


How can we grow in faith?

1. One has to have a personal, growing relationship with Jesus.

Colossians 2:7 (NLT2)

⁷ Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.



2. One must read, understand and follow God's Word.

Romans 10:17 (NKJV)

¹⁷ So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

a. Logos – the written word

b. Rhema – the spoken word



D. What happens to a believer who doesn't grow in faith?

1. We will never become a mature follower of Christ.

1 Peter 2:2 (NKJV)

² as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby,



Hebrews 5:12-14 (NKJV)

¹² For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food.

¹³ For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe.

¹⁴ But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

2. When the Lord reveals something to you and you refuse to believe then you develop a hard heart.

Mark 3:4-5 (NKJV)

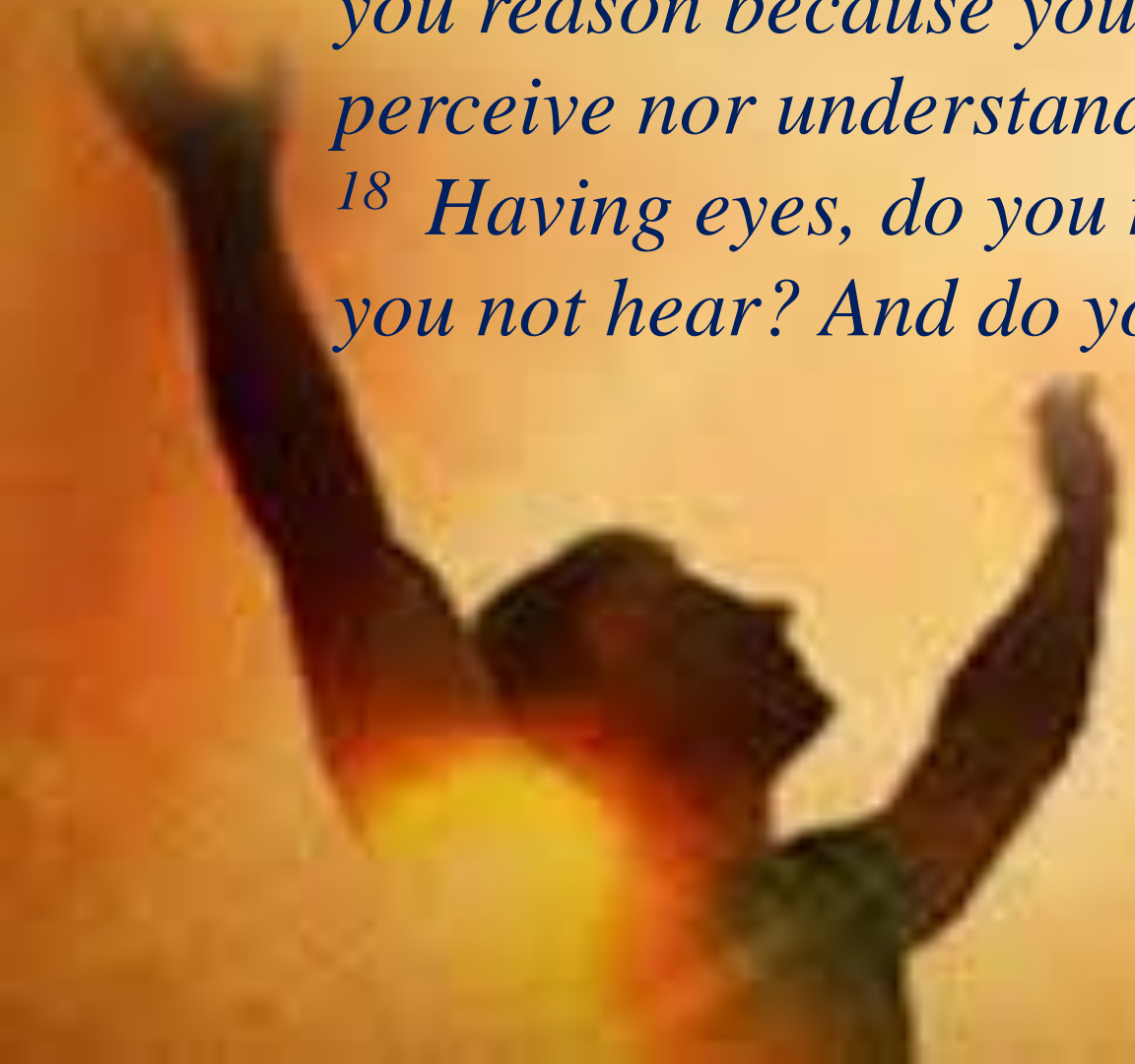
⁴ Then He said to them, "Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?" But they kept silent.

⁵ And when He had looked around at them with anger, being grieved by the hardness of their hearts, He said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." And he stretched it out, and his hand was restored as whole as the other.

Mark 8:13-21 (NKJV)

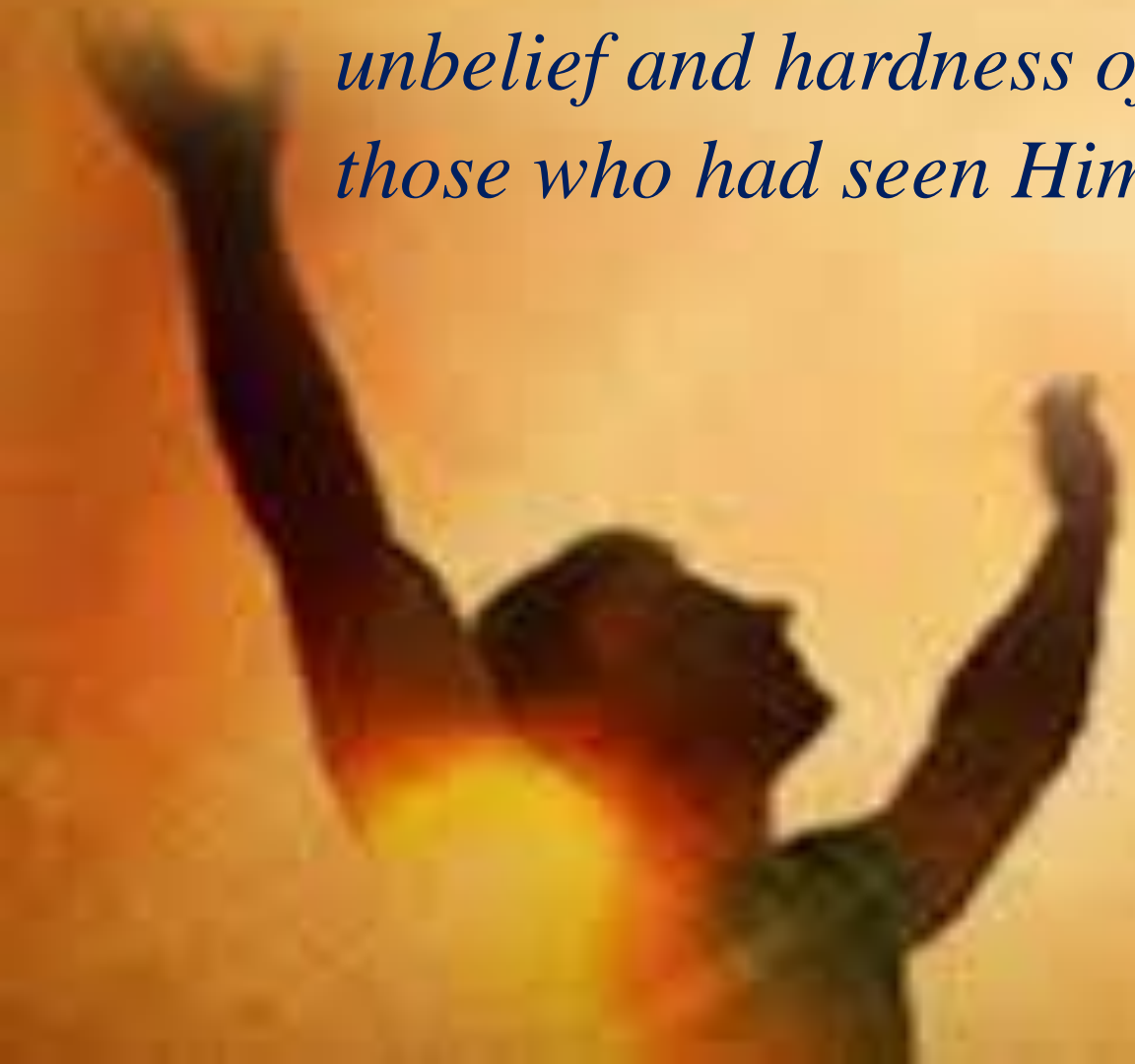
¹⁷ But Jesus, being aware of it, said to them, "Why do you reason because you have no bread? Do you not yet perceive nor understand? Is your heart still hardened?

¹⁸ Having eyes, do you not see? And having ears, do you not hear? And do you not remember?



Mark 16:14 (NASB)

¹⁴ Afterward He appeared to the eleven themselves as they were reclining at the table; and He reproached them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who had seen Him after He had risen.



Ephesians 4:17-19 (NASB)

¹⁷ So this I say, and affirm together with the Lord, that you walk no longer just as the Gentiles also walk, in the futility of their mind, ¹⁸ being darkened in their understanding, excluded from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardness of their heart; ¹⁹ and they, having become callous, have given themselves over to sensuality for the practice of every kind of impurity with greediness.

Psalm 95:7-8 (NKJV)

*7 For He is our God, And we are the people of His pasture,
And the sheep of His hand. Today, if you will hear His
voice:*

*8 "Do not harden your hearts, as in the rebellion, As in the
day of trial in the wilderness,*

