

O You of Little Faith

Be Thankful... But Not Satisfied

Matt. 14:22-33

I. What is Faith?

Biblical faith has three elements:

- A. _____ – believing the truth
- B. _____ – (James 2:17-20)
- C. _____ for, not fully _____ (Heb. 11:1; 2 Cor. 5:7)

II. What is *little* faith?

A. The phrase is used 6 times

- 1. Three times regarding God's _____ for us:
(Matt. 6:30; 16:8; Luke 12:28)
- 2. Twice regarding God's _____ of us:
(Matt. 8:26; 14:31)
- 3. Once regarding God's _____ working through us:
(Matt. 17:19-20)

B. But, what is it?

- 1. Not just the size or _____ of our faith
(Luke 17:3-6)
- 2. It primarily refers to the _____ of our faith
 - (a) Too little in its _____
 - (b) Too little in its _____ of its object
(Heb. 11:6)
 - (c) Too little in its _____
- 3. Symptoms of little faith:
 - (a) Questions who their God is
 - (b) Tends toward entitlement
 - (c) Weak, faltering _____ life

- (d) Doubting and anxious/low expectations
- (e) Easily _____, timid

C. What is it not?

1. It is not “_____” – Be thankful

Consider Peter:

- a. Started well
- b. Faltered
- c. Finished well
- d. What about you?

2. It is not “_____” – Don't be satisfied (Matt. 8:8-10,13; 15:22-28)

Characteristics of Great Faith

III. How do we end up with little faith?

Faith-shrivellers:

IV. How do we press on to great faith & avoid no faith?

Faith-builders:

Consider: **To whom shall we go?** (John 6:65-69)

Great faith honors our God who is faithful

If you trust Jesus at all, why not trust him altogether?

Applications: