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2 Timothy 4:1-7 "I have **kept** the faith"

Jude 3 ("Contend for the faith")

Tie your knot in the Word of God or you will slip! Your faith will slip!

It is not enough to begin the race, or just come to an altar and confess, we must contend and continue in our faith! WE must continue! Acts 9

1. Do you and have you experienced Saving Faith?

Bible or Faith knowledge is not the same as being born again in the Spirit. It is the goodness of God that leads us to repentance. It is not of ourselves, it is a gift of God and we cannot boast in it at all! None are good enough, my efforts are not good enough. I must acknowledge my sin and my lostness and hopelessness!

→ God help me to never fake the Christian faith! We have lost sight of "saving faith".

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2. Do you have "Keeping Faith?"

We are saved by Grace by faith in Christ Jesus. There is someone on the prowl trying to destroy our faith! Paul's faith kept him.

13:8 throughout Acts, we see how Paul, at a variety of opportunities and contentions: KEPT THE FAITH.

16: Paul and Silas in the prison, God kept him.

27: on his way to Rome to stand trial. To be condemned. The storm at sea on the boat, the prisoners afraid of dying. But Paul believed God! Not one person will perish 276 survived. God Kept him.

28: Paul in house arrest, kept the faith, preached the word and wrote scripture under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

1 Peter 5:8 we need to be aware of our enemy adversary.

A Kept faith. We need the finished work of Jesus Christ in our lives!

Hebrews 11:1 The substance is the credibility and rock solid Word of God! It has **Substance**! It is real! There is evidence!

Saving Faith

Keeping Faith

Kept Faith!