Faith Is Believing

Some say that “seeing is believing.” However, we are not always as smart as we think we are. Sometimes what we see could be an illusion. We think we see the right road or the right action only to find out later that we were led into a ditch. "Gee, I didn't think I'd end up here." What we see must go beyond our limited capabilities.

The gospel allows us to see with greater vision. We no longer live like the blind leading the blind. We can see clearly as we place our trust in Jesus. Now, seeing can be believing if we are looking to our Lord and Savior. Jesus has become the object of our faith. Our lives are centered on him. For the believer, faith is believing. In this sense, faith is a verb. We act based on our relationship to God through Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit. This faith can be a life-changer and a world-changer.

These next few weeks we will be exploring the nature of faith in the life of a believer. The goal is to provide nurture and encouragement for all of us to grow in our faith. May God grant all of us his blessing as we bear much fruit to his glory as our faith grows stronger and stronger. Amen.

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**Mark 5:21-43**

■ NEED

■ OPPOSITION

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 ▪ Faith in Christ for salvation

 ▪ Faith in Christ for discipleship

 ▪ Faith in Christ for action