

Faith - Right Faith-Actions

The English word “faith” is like the word, “walk.” To take a walk (here “walk” is used as a noun) means to move your legs faster than standing still, and to move in a direction. So “walk” is a noun describing an action. The word “run” is similar. If I am going to “take a run,” I am going to move my legs faster than walking. Here, both words, “walk” and “run,” are verbs used as nouns that describe action.

No corresponding physical action, and you are neither walking nor running. You may claim you are walking or running, but with no physical evidence, you are not speaking truth. The word “faith” is similar; it is a noun describing physical action, the actions of “faithing” or “believing” or “cleaving to God.” Without action there is no faith or believing or cleaving (See James 1:22, 2:20; Matt 7:21).

Note: For a fuller treatment of faith-actions, see our book, *Faith Evidence* on our website: www.CovenantPeaceMinistries.com.

The Greek Bible word translated as faith, *pistis* (Strong’s NT 4102), is based on a verb, *pisteuo* (Strong’s NT 4100). The original language words of *aman* (Strong’s OT 539), and *pisteuo*, both translated as believe, are verbs, indicating action, and both mean “continued actions to nurture, re-persuade, maintain, cleave, and hold in your heart, and against the devil, and the current negative reality and thoughts, the assertions of the facts and promises of God, unto exuberant thanksgiving, praise, and joy behaviors.”

This cleaving to the promises of God in the face of evil circumstances and terrorizing fears, which say the promise cannot be, is believing. The noun *pistis*, translated as faith, means “to be in this holding and nurturing process of *pisteuo* believing.” This process or behaviors of *pisteuo-aman* believing are called “faith-actions.” Doing them in the Lord is called “right faith-actions.”

The Bible uses the word “faith” or “believing” to describe the daily heart or soul maintenance of zoe life-releasing, faith-actions, as well as how you operate in the face of trials or negative conditions to get the promises of God to manifest. In both situations, the actions are similar, but the emphasis may be greater in a trial than in daily heart maintenance.

What I can assure you is that in your ministry of reconciliation you will have many opportunities to believe-cleave to God by right faith-actions, every day. If you know of none, turn on the news and you will be feasting on such opportunities.

Understanding and doing zoe life-releasing, right faith-actions is critical to our walking in the promises of God unto answered prayer and miracles. God tells us: “The just shall zao/live by faith.” Rom 1:17; Gal 3:11, and Heb 10:38.

In expanded form: “The just (*those who get born again of God and therefore made the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus by celebrating that God raised Jesus from the dead 2000 years ago*) shall zao live (*operate in the life, nature, character, dunamis miracle working power, agape love and sound mind of God*) by faith (*the zoe life-releasing, right faith-action lifestyle continually – multiple times per day on a set schedule and as occasion serves*).” Also see Gal 2:20.

So if you want to walk like Jesus, which is how God says to do it, do this by continual zoe life-releasing, right faith-actions.

This biblical believing, or faith, includes three main elements:

1. The Bible facts of God and His goodness in His Bible promises, especially as seen in our redemption in the work of Jesus, the nature and character of God as seen in Jesus, and the some 8,000 promises of God in the Bible.

2. The exuberant right faith or believing actions of applying, celebrating, and enforcing these facts to the various situations of life BEFORE and UNTIL you see the promises of God manifest on Earth in this life, i.e., “not slothful” (Heb 6:11-12). Note: Doing this element in trials and temptations is included in terms

like “having faith,” “trusting God,” “standing on the Word,” “stirring up,” “abiding,” “walk,” “lay hold,” “hold on,” and “loving God.” Alternate Old Testament words for faith-actions/trusting include “waiting,” “seeking,” “cleaving,” “faithfulness,” “courage,” and “wait on the Lord.” All of these are verbs requiring action.

3. The current status of your strength, nurturing, abiding, or adherence to faith facts and actions, in the face of conflicting information, feelings, and offenses. For example, you do confessions or affirmations of Bible truths to develop confidence/faith in them, and then you do them because you now believe them, and as you need them to establish confidence and courage in God by His promises in the face of trials. Used in *aiteo* commands, they become your Sword of the Spirit. Remember, the Word of God, the Sword of the Spirit, is your primary offensive weapon.

The supporting actions of faith or believing are found throughout the Bible and summarized here. These are the things we do that mix the Word of God into our hearts and release *zoe* life for blessing (Heb 4:2; 6:11-12). The only *zoe* life-releasing, faith-action that appears to be unique in emphasis in the New Testament is speaking in Holy Spirit tongues, and of course the shift from the repetitive temple sacrifices to recalling and celebrating the one-time sacrifice of Jesus. Heb 13:15-17.

What This Means to God: God sees us as He made us in Christ. Col 1:22. This is Identification.

So Holy Spirit can say through Paul that we are to reign as kings in the realm of *zoe* life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Rom 5:17-21. By grace we reign through *zoe* life-releasing, right faith-actions for, with, and in Him.

We are Satan’s master just as much as Jesus is. We have all of Jesus’ authority to use for Him as He would. Matt 28:18.

We reign over Satan with the Name of Jesus. Today, as sons of God, we are masters of our old enemy by right faith-actions. It is ours legally to use *Zoe* Life to administer it for God.

This is the reign of the “righteous ones,” those whom God calls his “righteous ones” in Christ. Those who have renewed their minds with right faith-actions. It is ours through the disciplines of Christ.

It is the “abundance of grace” and the “gift of righteousness.” It is the reign of righteousness. Rom 5:17-21.

We must learn to see ourselves as the Father sees us in Christ – the Redeemed victors in every field. We build this dominion, sonship, and Christ in us consciousness by a lifestyle of right faith-actions. This is Covenant Identification.

Hebrews 10:38 “My righteous one shall *zao*/live by *right* faith-actions.” Gal 2:20-21; 3:11; Rom 1:16.

Right faith-actions are how we operate Divine *zoe* life.

We are those foretold righteous ones! Neh 9:27; Ob 21; Zech 10:5; Joel 2:32.

This New Creation is enthroned with Christ. We are seated with Him in the Heavens. Eph 2:6; Col 3:1.

The New Creation is master of the adversary. The old creation was a failure. The New Creation is a success for God by continual right faith-actions.

We have the very Nature and Life of God that makes us righteousness. It gives us access to the very Throne of God.

We can go to the Throne Room just as Jesus did in His Earth walk. I was almost tempted to say, as a child goes into his father’s room or office or shop without knocking. A stranger wouldn’t dare to do it.

We have a legal right to use the Name of Jesus, by adoption, sonship, family, and legally. He has given us not only the Power of Attorney, but family unity, joint-heirship to use it and walk in it. Rom 8:17; Eph 3:15.

He said: Matt 28:18 “All authority has been given unto me in Heaven and on Earth.” Jesus has all authority/pre-permission; Sin has none.

All authority is now Jesus'. Just like a policeman that has authority from his badge; we have the authority of Jesus. Not a lesser than Jesus', but the same as.

Jesus said: "Whatsoever you *aiteo* ask in my Name the Father will give it you." John 16:23; 14:12-14; 15:7; 16:24-26.

This is dominion over the adversary. This is mastery over demonic forces and their works, all delivered and released by right faith-actions. Luke 10:19.

Right Faith-Actions: (The following is not exhaustive, and some may be duplicates for clarity.) The basic actions or elements of believing/*zoe* life-releasing, right faith-actions incorporate the following information of the "faith:" in the covenant promises of God (2 Cor 1:20); our Redemption in the blood of Jesus (Eph 1:7; Col 1:14; Heb 9:12-14; Rev 12:11); and established that God is good, His mercy and grace are everlasting, and His truth endures and triumphs over all generations (Ps 100:5; 34:8; 86:5; 118:29). You do this in the following actions, remembering that glad obedience to God's commands is included in right spirit-and-truth worship. So yes, doing the 1,050 commandments is part of right worship and walking in *agape* love:

Master List:

- Make/force yourself over this biblical information to stir yourself up into exuberant thanksgiving, praise, and joy (1 Sam 30:6; 2 Cor 4:15; Eph 5:20; Col 1:12; 3:17, 1 Thess 5:18; 1 Tim 1:6; Ex 35:26; Rom 12:6-8; 2 Tim 4:2; 1 Peter 4:10-11),
- Exuberant Praise continually (Heb 13:15)
- Exuberant thanksgiving and Joy (Phil 4:4-6; 1Thes 5:16-18; James 1:2),
- Blessings, speaking God's good over yourself and others, as well as to the Lord, i.e., "Bless the Lord oh my soul." (James 1:9-10; Eph 1:3-6; 1 Pet 1:3-5, Psalm 103),
- Courage building (Josh 1:5-11; Ps 31:24; Acts 28:15; 1 Sam 30:6; 1 Tim 1:6; Phil 4:4-10; 1 Cor 15:57-58; 16:13-14; 2 Cor 12:10),
- Patience/consistency in *zoe* life-releasing, right faith-actions when hard. (Luke 21:19; James 1:2, 4; Heb 10:36),
- Magnetizing your heart to God with affirmations of God's truth (Heb 3:1; Ps 1:2; Ps 105:1; Hab 2:2; Eph 5:19-21; Col 3:14-17),
- *Aiteo* commands in prayer/requests, as if God were speaking through you (2 Cor 4:13; Matt 6:8-13; 7:7-11; John 14:13-14; 15:7-8; 16:23-24; Phil 4:4-9; 2 Cor 4:13; 1 John 5:14-16),
- Right fasting to humble your soul (Matt 6:18; Isa 58),
- Right Holy Communion (John 6:54; 1 Cor 11:17-34, 30; Psalm 16:5; 116:3; 1 Cor 10:14-22),
- Operating gifts of Holy Spirit, especially prophecy and diverse tongues (1 Cor 12 and 14),
- Bible study and meditation by chewing the Word in your mouth to manifesting every aspect of salvation as needed, with right intention, to show yourself an approved workman of God (2 Tim 2:15, Josh 1:8; Ps 119:97; Ps 143:5) and able to manifest any aspect of salvation, as needed (2 Tim 3:15, 2 Cor 1:20; 1 Tim 4:15),
- Right consideration and self-talk, like Abraham did (Rom 4:12-21; Heb 3:1, Psalm 34),
- Believing in and glorifying the Name of Jesus (1 John 3:18-24; Heb 13:15-17; Phil 2:9-16.
- Recalling and telling of God's recorded miracles and testimonies, others you have heard of or seen, and your own (Ps 77:10-12; 78:3-7; 105:1; 119:99; 111:4; 143:5; 145:12; Isa 38:19; 63:7; Jonah 2:7; Matt 22:29; 2 Cor 1:4; Rev 12:11);

- Active patience in continual *zoe* life-releasing, right faith-actions (Rom 5, James 1; Phil 4:4-9; and 1 Peter 1:5-11),
- Right judgment like Jesus did (Matt 7:2; John 5:30; 7:24 and 12:47),
- Raising/lifting hands to God (Ps 28:2; 63:4; 119:48; 134:2 and Lam 3:41),
- Attacking every worry, concern, evil fear, terror, dismay, or anxiety with *aiteo* prayer commands and thanksgiving (Phil 4:4-9),
- Working faith contracts (Hab 2:2),
- Speaking to yourselves in psalms, hymns and spiritual songs (tongues), making melody in your heart to the Lord, giving thanks always for all things of redemption to God the Father in the Name of the Lord Jesus, submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God. (Eph 5:19-21; Col 3:14-17; Ps 18:6), Note “speaking to yourselves” can be to yourself, or to others in the group.
- Daily exhortations by others or yourself (Heb 3:13; Titus 2:6-15),
- Operating all the gifts of Holy Spirit (1 Cor 12, 14 and Rom 12); aim for 2 hours a day,
- Healing the sick, cleansing the lepers, casting out demons, raising the dead, making the blind to see, the lame to walk, restoring anything missing, the deaf to hear, multiplying food, bringing water, controlling evil nature & storms, evangelism, and getting God’s wisdom for any problem of man anywhere, and duplicating any works of Jesus and even greater: (Mark 16:15-20; Luke 9:1-2; 10:9, 18-20; Matt 8:15-16; 10:6-8; 28:24; Psalm 91; Acts 1:8; 3; 5:16; 8:7; 10:34-39; 28:5; Rom 16:20; 8:31-39; Heb 13:5-6; Rev 11:5; 12:11; 2 Tim 1:7; Isa 26:6; Psalm 103; John 14:12-14; 15:7-8; 16:23-24)
- Public reading of and/or listening to the Scriptures (1 Tim 4:13; Deut 17:19; Jos 1:8; Acts 6:4; Deut 17:19),
- Writing the Scriptures to get them into your soul. (Deut 17:18; Jer 30:2;)
- Reading and meditating on the Scriptures (fill your mind in muttering, singing, pondering) (Josh 1:5-8; 1 Tim 4:14; Psalm 1:2; 46:10-11; 63:6; 77:12; 104:34; 105:5; 119:15, 23, 48, 97, 99, 148; 143:5; Acts 5:4; Jer 15:6; Ezek 3:1)
- And doing acts of *agape* love, all in the Name of Jesus (Matt 10:8; 22:39; 28:19-20; Mark 12:31, 16:15-20; and Luke 10:9).
- Getting a job so you have money to give to others. (Eph 4:28; 1Thess 3:10-12; 4:12; Proverbs 13:4)
- Praying for more laborers into God’s fields. (Matt 9:38; Luke 10:2)
- Keeping short accounts with God. (Eph 4:26; Deut 24:15; 1 Thess 5:6-28; Gen 12:3; 27:29; Mark 11:25-26; Matt 6:12-15; Eph 4:32; Col 3:13; James 2:13)
- Doing the 1,050 New Testament commandments in gladness and joy. (1 Thess 1:6; 2:14; 4:1-8; 2 Thess 2:15; 3:6-10; 5:14-28; Phil 3:17; 4:9; 1 Cor 11:1;)
- Blessing them who curse you, etc. (Matt 5:44; Luke 6:28; Rom 12:14)
- Build power with bold preaching (Eph 6:19-20; Acts 10:42; Rom 1:15-18; Col 1:28; 2 Tim 1:4:2)
- Speaking life over others continually: Paul’s Prayers and Requests: (Eph 6:18-20; 1:6; 3:8; Phil 1:4; Col 1:3-18; Rom 1:8-10; 10:1; 11:33-36; 12:12; 15:5-6, 13; 30-33. 1 Cor 16:23; 2 Cor 1:3-7; 2:14-16; 9:12-15; 12:7-9; Gal 6:18; Eph 1:3-23; 3:14-21; Phil 1:3-6, 9-11, 19; 4:23; Col 4:2-4; 1Thes 1:2-3; 2:13-16; 3:9-13; 5:14-28; 2Thes 1:3, 1-12, 2:13-17; 3:1-5, 16; 1 Tim 1:12, 17; 2:1-15; 2 Tim 1:16-18; 4:22; Titus 3:15; Philemon 4-7, 25.)

A simpler statement can be: *zoe* life-releasing, faith-actions are to take the facts of redemption in the blood of Jesus, the nature of God, and the some 8,000 promises of God, all in the Scriptures, and apply,

celebrate and enforce them unto manifestation with exuberant behaviors of thanksgiving, praise, joy, righteous *aiteo* commands, right Holy Communion, right affirmations, right considerations, doings acts of agape love, exposing yourself daily to right exhortations to keep your heart from the deceitfulness of sin, studying and doing the word of God to show yourself a workman approved of God with answered prayer and miracle manifestations, and keeping yourself in the love of God with continual speaking in tongues.

The acts of agape love are listed throughout the Bible. We summarize them as *agape*/loving God continually and exclusively with all your heart, mind, soul, strength, believing on and glorifying the Name of Jesus with continual *zoe* life-releasing, right faith-actions, loving one another as He does, and doing unto others what you would want done unto you. They are to be built on a foundation of gladly *agape*/loving your parents, spouse, children, neighbors and strangers. These acts of *agape* love include gifts, alms, hospitality, respect and kindnesses to others, clothing the naked, feeding the hungry, sheltering the destitute, delivering the poor, attacking worry, encouraging and giving grace to others, speaking so others receive grace to be more like Jesus, overcoming evil with good, seeking first the Kingdom of God for yourself to community and national betterment, evangelism, personal piety, blessing those that curse you and praying for them that despitefully use you, including casting out the devil in and over them, helping widows, orphans, the weak and innocent, working godly justice, and producing the signs of true Jesus believers by operating in the Name and power of Jesus to heal the sick, restoring the maimed, blind and deaf, raising the dead, casting out devils, and cleansing the lepers, as recorded of Jesus and the early believers. Acts 10:38. 1 Cor 13 describes the acts and attitudes of *agape* love/charity.

So, when someone says, "Have faith," "Stand on the promises," "Believe God," "Be Strong," "Take courage in the Lord," "Abide" "Be patient," "Wait on the Lord," "Hold on," or "Trust God," your first response should be to start doing right faith-actions over scripture Redemption facts and God's promises that can apply for that situation, and then commit to a regular schedule of 3-6 hours a day in continual, on a regular daily schedule of multiple events, and as occasion serves, right faith-actions UNTIL victory. As the psalmist wrote: Psalm 119:164 "Seven times a day do I praise Thee for Thy righteous judgments (*against the devil and for my/our/their blessing and prosperity*)." See also Psalm 1:2; 55:17; 63:6; 88:1; 119:62, 148; 141:2 and Acts 16:25.

And, of course, see: Psalm 34; 55:17; Gal 2:20; Eph 5:14-21; Col 3:14-17; 1 Thess 5:16-18; 1 Cor 15:57-58, and Heb 6:11-12; 13:15.

For more on this see our books, *Ok, God Now What?* (Amazon) and *Faith Evidence* (www.CovenantPeaceMinistries.com).

Faith Contracts: are written tools where you gather the appropriate scriptures, summarize your commands, and if people are involved, intercession for them, and then keeping it handy for *zoe* life-releasing, faith-actions until the promise manifests. Put it/them in a visible place, and every time you go past them, repeat with thanksgiving. You can put these on note cards or your electronic devices to have them with you wherever you go. Even better are scheduled faith-action reminders of your faith contract(s) on your electronic devices. Your goal is to do *zoe* life-releasing, faith-actions over each faith contract at least twice a day. More is better.

In summary, write all this out and list the related Scriptures, make your *aiteo* commands, believing in and glorifying the Name of Jesus, do thanksgiving, praise, and joy actions, meditate on the related Scriptures, i.e., do all the *zoe* life-releasing, right faith-actions as above.

Here is a simple Faith Contract Template:

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Start Date: _____ People involved/situation: _____
Promise Basis Scriptures (use at least 3, more is better): _____
Prayer Basis Scriptures (such as John 14:12-14; Phil 4:4-9; Mark 11:22-24)
Aiteo commands in the Name of Jesus 1 John 3:19-24; John 14:12-14.
Thanksgivings (thanks in advance): _____
Praises (aspects of God's character that apply): _____
Rejoicings (use at least 3 different ones): _____
How many times a day you will repeat the contract words: _____
How many times a day will you give thanks in advance: _____
