

BE NOT MOVED
Use Your Faith

- I. To get in faith, to get confident you must (5) use your faith**
- II. To believe (faith) is a choice—*Jn20:25—Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails and put my finger into the print of the nails and thrust my hand into his side I WILL NOT BELIEVE; Ps56:3—What time I am afraid I WILL TRUST IN YOU; Is12:2—I WILL TRUST and not be afraid; Is7:9—IF YOU WILL NOT BELIEVE surely you shall not be established***
- A. When you choose to believe what God says in spite of what you see, feel, or understand you're using your faith—He used no faith—*Jn20:27—Be not faithless but believing*
- III. We develop in spiritual things by reason of use—*Hb5:13—Everyone that uses milk is unskillful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. But strong meat belongs to them that are of full age even those who BY REASON OF USE (practice, habit) have their SENSES (judgement [will], faculty of the mind for perceiving, understanding, judging, walls of the heart) exercised (trained) to discern both good and evil***
- A. Senses refers to something spiritual—This is not your physical senses
1. Your will/judgement is in the spirit—*Is14:13—Thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars; Dt30:15-19—If thine heart turn away; Jd9:3*
 2. You perceive, discern, understand with your heart spirit—*Mk2:8—When Jesus PERCEIVED in his spirit; 1Ki3:9—Give therefore thy servant an UNDERSTANDING HEART TO JUDGE they people, that I may DISCERN between and good and bad; Dt29:4, Ecc8:5, Mt13:15*
- B. Something spiritual (senses) was trained by reason of use—*Hb5:12—CJ—Trained by continuous exercise; ESV—Trained by constant practice*
1. You won't develop in that which you do not do, use or practice
 2. You don't develop by just hearing—The deception is thinking you're developed in it because you've heard a lot about it
 - a. Developed in knowledge vs. Developed in execution—Two different things
 - b. You must practice what you know to develop—EX: To develop in prayer you don't need to just learn about praying, you need to pray—*1Tm4:7—Exercise (practice) yourself rather unto godliness; AC—Train yourself towards godliness*
- IV. Getting in faith is getting to a place where you are confident and strong in faith (grounded, settled) and to get to that place you have to start using your faith**
- A. Abraham's faith got strong by exercise—*Rm4:18—Who AGAINST HOPE BELIEVED IN HOPE that he might become the father of many nations according to that which was spoken, So shall your seed be. And being NOT WEAK IN FAITH he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about 100 years old, neither yet the deadness of Sara's womb: He STAGGERED NOT (doubt, waver) at the promise of God through UNBELIEF (weakness of faith); but was STRONG IN FAITH giving glory to God; and being FULLY PERSUADED that what he had promised he was able also to perform*
1. Every time he chose not to consider their bodies and instead chose to believe, so shall my seed be, he used his faith—This started with a decision and went on year after year until he was fully persuaded and couldn't be moved
 2. Your faith concerning salvation is strong because you've exercised it for years
- B. Faith in God is exercised every time you choose to believe what God says over what you see, feel or understand—As you use it, it gets stronger
1. To get strong in faith where your situation is concerned you have to use your faith—Solely based on the word of God I choose to believe—That's 1 rep

2. Feeding on scriptures alone will not be enough—Feed and exercise
- C. Many never get strong in faith because they don't use their faith—Pressure comes they get discouraged, lose heart, are easily moved and doing that they used no faith
1. You have to not see, not feel and still believe for faith to develop—*Hb11:1—Evidence of things not seen; 1Pt1:8—Though NOW YOU SEE HIM NOT, YET BELIEVING,*
 2. Your faith develops the most when you use it when it's difficult—Abraham used his faith when it was difficult (human reason for hope being gone); When is it ever going bad and rather than get down you use your faith
 3. The harder it is to believe, the more your faith develops if you do—EX: My running, the hard the conditions, the more I develop
 4. When our faith is tried if we put patience to work we will develop—*Js1:2—My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations (various kinds of adversity, trouble); ³Knowing this, that the trying (proving) of your faith worketh patience (constancy, perseverance, continuance).⁴But let patience have her perfect (complete) work, that ye may be perfect (growth) and entire (complete), wanting nothing*
 - a. Faith is tried in adversity—In adversity we'll find out about your faith
 - b. K.Hagin—I am settled and established because I've suffered