

Behind the Curtain - Faith

March 19-20, 2016

Community:

1. When you hear the word “faith”, what does it mean to you?
2. Where, in your life, is your faith the strongest? Where is it the weakest?

Core:

1. Jim Burgen talked about looking at faith as a “*cause and effect relationship*” with God. Do you struggle with looking at faith in this way? If so, where does that show up?
2. We all tend to have or have had different “systems” that we think will guarantee a better life. What *systems* have you had/have in your life that just didn’t work out?
3. When you look at your life of faith in God, what has made it stronger...and what has rocked your faith? What did you learn through these experiences?
4. **Read 1 Corinthians 13:13.** Faith, hope and love. Why do you think love is the greatest of them all? What do you see as the greatest benefit of living life with *faith, hope and love*?
5. **Read Hebrews 11:1.** Using this definition of faith, how do you rely on faith on a daily basis?
6. Is there anything blocking you from having the full faith defined in Hebrews 11:1?
7. In this series, we have looked at *being made clean, rest, covenants, freedom, confidence and faith*—all of which we receive through Jesus. Which of these, from the *Behind the Curtain* series, has been the hardest for you to grasp, and why?

Challenge:

- What part of your life is hardest to completely give over to God? Write down why you cannot fully put your faith in Jesus in this/these area(s).
- Pray over this each day and write down how your faith changes through this—or if there is no change at all.
- If there is no change, share this with your group or a trusted friend and ask them to join you in prayer over this too.



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