

Drawing the Line of Faith

Conclusion to the series, "Hope Alive: In Us and For Others"

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Romans 4:19-22 NIV

Face the obvious **FACTS**.

*"Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead."
(v. 19 NIV)*

Choose to **FOCUS** on God.

"No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God..." (v. 20 ESV)

Apply the filter of truth: the promise of His **WORD**.

"...Being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised." (v. 21 NIV)

*"...For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control."
(2 Timothy 1:7 ESV)*

Draw lines of **FAITH** in the face of fear.

"Yet he did not waver..." (v. 20 NIV)

"So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. ¹⁸But someone will say, 'You have faith and I have works.' Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. ¹⁹You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder! ²⁰Do you want to be shown, you foolish person, that faith apart from works is useless? ²¹Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered up his son Isaac on the altar? ²²You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was completed by his works..." (James 2:17-22 NIV)

"...Through love serve one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'" (Galatians 5:13-14 ESV)

"Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God." (Hebrews 13:16 ESV)

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