

Living faith



The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.”

Matthew 28:5-6

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Hebrews 11:1



Faith Looks Beyond

living
faith



Faith Follows

living
faith



living
faith



Faith
is a
Shield

Faith Pleases God

David – a man after God's heart

Faith Remembers

Past experience calls us to action

The Substance of Faith

The resurrection of Jesus is
the foundation of Christianity

The Lord said to Moses... “When you enter the land I am going to give you and you reap its harvest, bring to the priest a sheaf of the first grain you harvest. He is to wave the sheaf before the Lord so it will be accepted on your behalf; the priest is to wave it on the day after the Sabbath.

Leviticus 23:9-11



First Fruits

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead,
the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep....
For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be
made alive.

1 Cor 15:20-23

Jesus in the Festivals

Passover – the lamb slain for our salvation.

Unleavened Bread – the one that deals with sin.

Firstfruits – rises from the dead guaranteeing our resurrection.

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“Watergate embroiled 12 of the most powerful men in the world-and they couldn't keep a lie for three weeks. You're telling me 12 apostles could keep a lie for 40 years? Absolutely impossible.”

– Charles Colson

Questions for reflection:

- 1) Do I have confidence in the claims of the Gospel?
- 2) Am I allowing God's grace to affect the way I live & is there anything that needs to change?