

# “Faith Is ...”

Sermon • *Luke 13*

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### 1) Faith is more than mere confidence.

<sup>24</sup> “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. <sup>25</sup> And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. <sup>26</sup> And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. <sup>27</sup> And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.”  
(*Matthew 7:24–27*)

### 2) Repent now while the door is open.

<sup>7</sup> Today, if you hear his voice, <sup>8</sup> do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness, <sup>9</sup> when your fathers put me to the test and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.  
(*Psalms 95:7–9*)

### 3) God wants family, not just familiarity.

<sup>21</sup> “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. <sup>22</sup> Many will say to Me in that day, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’ <sup>23</sup> And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!’  
(*Matthew 7:21–23*)

### 4) Faith is a present confidence in Jesus alone, which clings to Him alone as savior and dearly loves Him as brother and friend.

<sup>11</sup> For as the waistband clings to the waist of a man, so I made the whole house of Israel and the whole house of Judah cling to me, declares the Lord, that they might be for me a people, a name, a praise, and a glory, but they would not listen.  
(*Jeremiah 13:11*)