

## **WHEN IS WEAK FAITH GOOD?**

2 Peter 1:2-4 ... "Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord, as his divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness...by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises..."

We are not accustomed to discussing faith in negative terms, are we? Usually, within the church and these devotionals we speak of the need to develop strong faith, to find hope in the faith we have in the power and love of God. But, are there times when weak faith is better?

I will give you the answer right now: YES, when your faith is not tied to your relationship with God, the weaker it is, the better.

When your faith is founded on your own strength and wisdom or on the advice of ungodly people, you would be smart to stop and reconsider your decisions. When your faith is in your car, in guessing correctly on an exam (instead of studying for it), or a worn-out rope, it may leave you disappointed...or dead. If you desire a bountiful harvest of rice without planting rice, your faith will not serve you well. More importantly, if you trust your motorcycle tires that are worn smooth, to carry you safely at high speed, you should have so little faith in them that you choose not to take a chance. When your faith is in yourself, or someone you have little reason to trust, you are safer having weak faith.

Weak faith in things or people other than God, can protect you from danger and immoral choices. Strong faith in God, accomplishes just the opposite. Faith in God protects you and keeps you on a path of righteousness. Your only source of reliable faith is your faith in God.

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