## Fort Payne church of Christ



## **The Weekly Moment**

A Weekly Motivational Message

Wednesday, October 30, 2019

## O Ye Of Little Faith!

Faith. Do you have it? If you're like most people, there have been times in your life when you have worried, you have been fearful or you have doubted. The disciples certainly had these human emotions.

In the New Testament, this phrase is spoken three times in the Book of Matthew and once in Luke. Another account uses the phrase, "O thou of little faith." Why would Jesus speak these words and what is He saying? Are these words applicable to us today?

In the verses mentioned above, Jesus counters the human emotions of His disciples by telling them they should increase their faith to counter their frailty. It sounds like a great plan, but what is faith? Scripturally, we only have one definition for faith. It is found in the Hebrews 11 in the first verse - Heb 11:1 "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Faith is what brings us to salvation. It does not actually save us as we learn from James — obedience does that. Yet, without faith we have nothing.

In the context of Jesus' statements, I believe that the faith in question is a belief that our needs will be taken care of – whether it be food, clothing, housing or our health – and not faith (or belief) that Jesus is the Son of God. Yet, it is our belief in Jesus that leads us to have a faith (or belief) that He will sustain us in every way.

So, how's your faith?

Think about it.

Here's hoping you'll make the "most of your minutes" this week.

Hope to see you at Bible Study tonight.

In Christian Love,

Bob Strickland