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The 3 Colors of Ministry

A trinitarian approach
to identifying
and developing
your spiritual gifts

The Three-Color Gift Test:

*How to discover your
God-given potential*

The Change Compass:

*How to grow as a
Three-Color Christian*

Practical exercises:

*How to apply your insights
individually or as a group*

ChurchSmart Resources



How many
gifts are there?

How might God want to use you at Genesis Church?

Category 1: the green area

- Artistic creativity
- Craftsmanship
- Giving
- Hospitality
- Knowledge
- Mercy
- Music
- Organization
- Voluntary poverty
- Wisdom

Category 2: the red area

- Apostle
- Counseling
- Evangelism
- Helps
- Leadership
- Missionary
- Service
- Shepherding
- Singleness
- Teaching

Category 3: the blue area

- Deliverance
- Discernment
- Faith
- Healing
- Interpretation
- Miracles
- Prayer
- Prophecy
- Suffering
- Tongues

**The Gift of Faith
by the Holy Spirit**



A hand holding a wooden cross against a blue sky with clouds. The cross is made of dark wood and is held vertically. The hand is visible at the bottom right, gripping the base of the cross. The background is a bright blue sky with scattered white clouds.

The Gift of Faith

What it is not

The gift of faith

Chapter 5:
30 spiritual gifts

While it is every Christian's calling to trust the Lord in all of life's challenges, God has blessed some people with a special gift of faith. These individuals literally have a "mountain-moving" faith (Matt. 17:20). They don't shy away from uncertainties and risks when they are convinced of the will of God. People with this gift are often visionaries who initiate new developments.

Scripture references

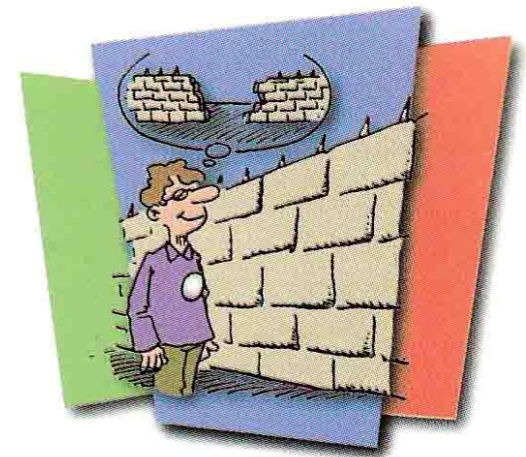
Matthew 8:5-13, Matthew 17:20b, Matthew 21:18-22, Romans 4:18-21, 1 Corinthians 12:9, James 1:5-8

Possible Tasks

Prayer group leader, church board member, long-term planning, church planting, creative ideas team, denominational leadership, church leadership for missions, evangelism ...

Dangers

- Those with the gift of faith tend toward gift projection (see page 97). Sometimes they judge others as being "small-thinking."
- Some people with this gift are not able to admit when their goals or vision have not been realized.
- Since those with the gift of faith often demonstrate a unique assurance that they are in harmony with the will of God, they sometimes interpret criticism of themselves as criticism of God.

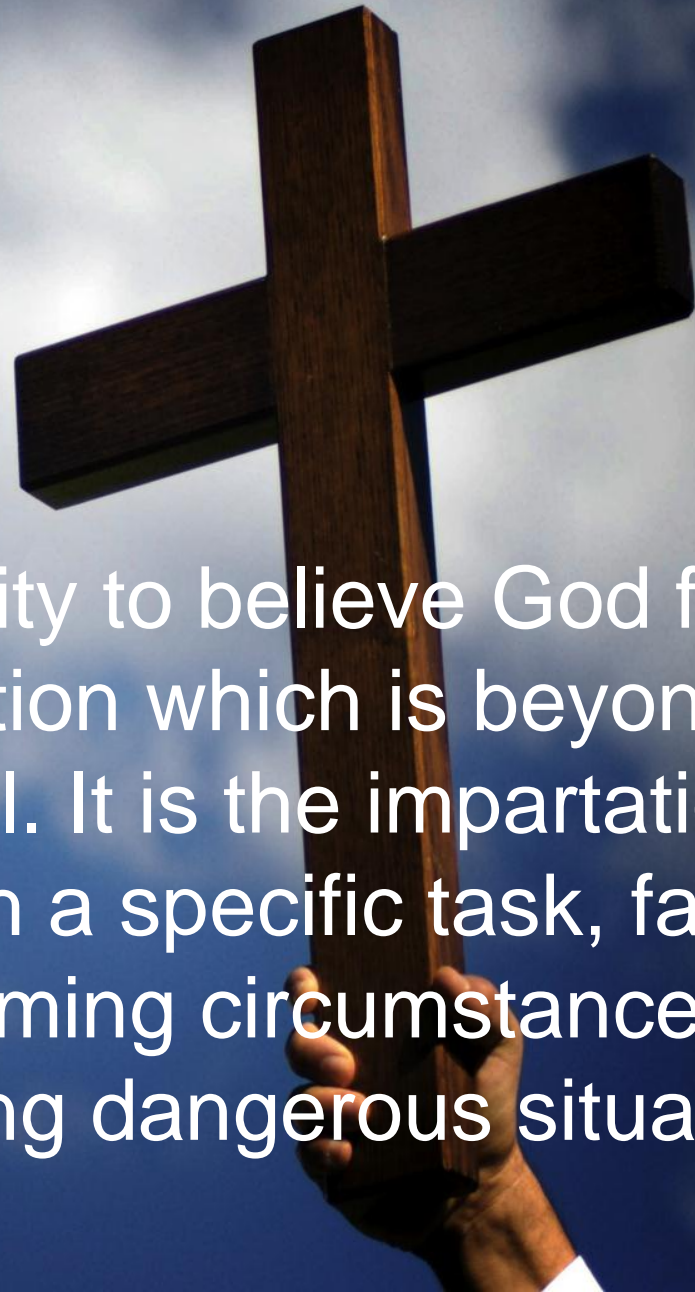


This gift enables Christians to discern, with an unusual degree of confidence, the will of God for the future development of ministry.

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What it is



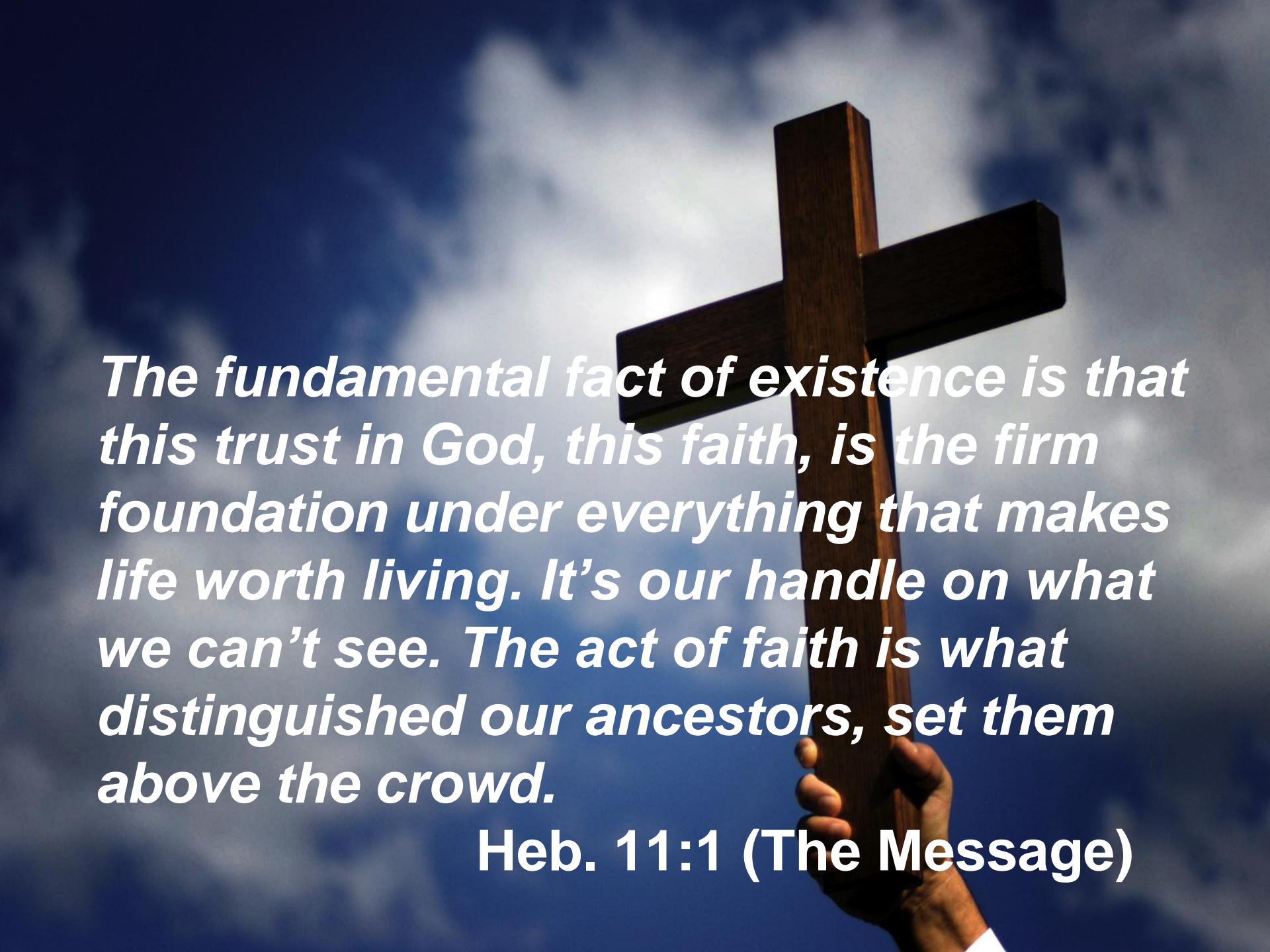


The supernatural ability to believe God for the impossible in a situation which is beyond the normal faith potential. It is the impartation of faith to accomplish a specific task, face potentially overwhelming circumstances, or persevere when facing dangerous situations.

*Now faith is the
substance of things
hoped for, the
evidence of things
not seen.*

Heb. 11:1 (KJV)



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The fundamental fact of existence is that this trust in God, this faith, is the firm foundation under everything that makes life worth living. It's our handle on what we can't see. The act of faith is what distinguished our ancestors, set them above the crowd.

Heb. 11:1 (The Message)

*Now faith is being
sure of what we
hope for and certain
of what we do not
see.*

Heb. 11:1 (NIV)



*Now faith is
the assurance of
things hoped for,
the conviction
of things not seen.*

Heb. 11:1 (NASB)



***Substance - that
which provides the
basis for hope and
belief .***



Substance - really
about realization - in
faith things hoped for
become realized, or
things hoped for
become reality.



Substance - defines
the reality of “things
hoped for” – which
have a transcendent
quality



Substance –
transcendent future
reality - equates faith
with the reality and
demonstration of
those things



Eléncthos – evidence,
proof, or proving -
conviction – inner
conviction about
things unseen

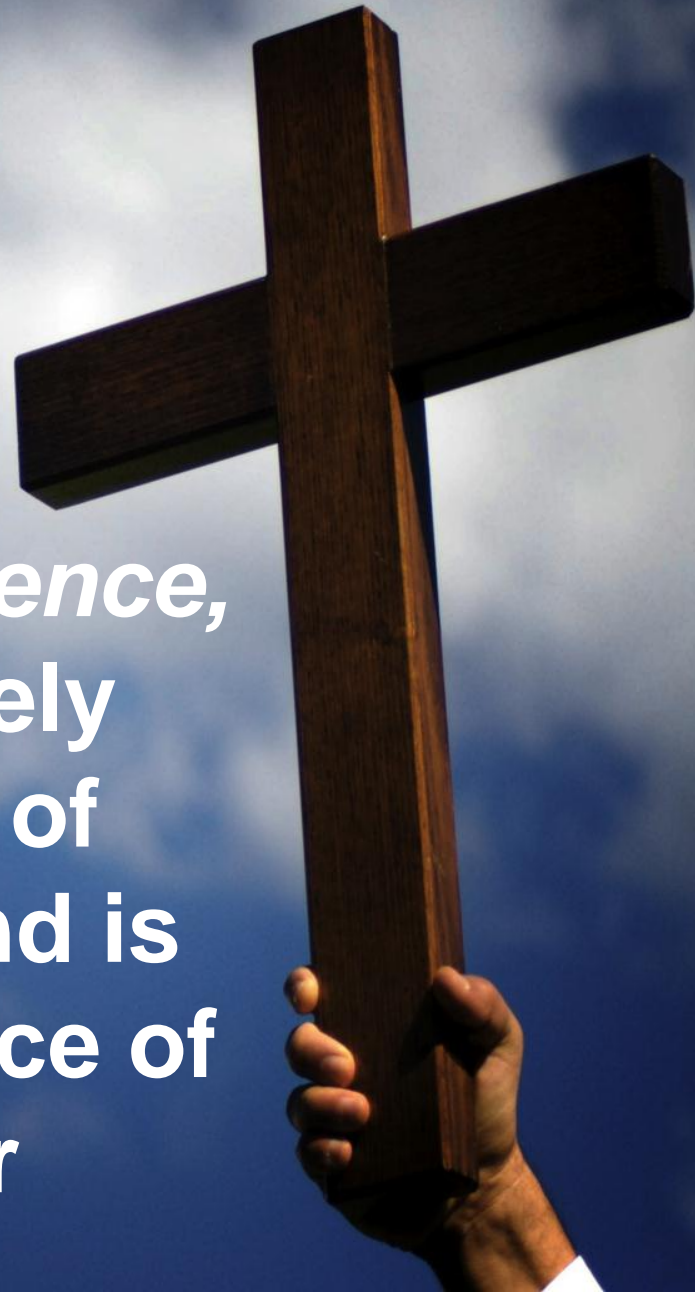




Eléncthos – evidence,
idea is persuasion.

Faith does not do the
convincing, but God

Eléncthos – evidence,
Faith is the divinely
given conviction of
things unseen and is
thus the assurance of
what is hoped for



Pragmatōn – things,
things unseen are not
the proof – the
assurance of the
promise of God is the
proof



**Thus faith has an
eschatological aspect
– breaking in of the
future into the
presence
Realization of God's
Kingdom**



Heb. 11:13-16

Heb. 11:39- 40

Heb. 12:1-13



Romans 4

**Abraham's Journey
of Faith**



Romans 4

Abraham's Journey of Faith

**God that calls things that are
not as though they were**



**We have much to
believe God for**

**We need the gift of
faith operating in our
midst**



**Recounting God's
provision in the past
will cause faith to rise
for our present
circumstances**



**Let us allow God to
impart supernatural
faith to us as we move
forward for his
kingdom sake at
Genesis**



