

9/12 Faith

Gn 12

Mk 9:14-24

Heb 11:1

Noah story

Faith is :

based on

1) free will :

2) intellect :

Models of faith

1. trust

2. Knowledge & love of God. (our relationship with God) .

3. a way of life  
(taking responsibility for what you believe)

4. from the heart

5. personal commitment

Faith is:

- personal knowledge of God AND the response to this knowledge
- a noun AND a verb (beliefs & actions based on this belief)

- a gift from God

Faith develops as we grow in age:

1) acceptance

2) reflection

experienced

3) critique

belonging

searching

owned

4) doubt

5) deeper belief

Faith vs. Science: are they compatible? (can they get along together?)

Alternatives to faith

- agnosticism
- atheism
- secular humanism
- hedonism
- personal spiritualism