

## 4. Faith

"What we believe in is important, but who we believe in is even more important."

(Benedict XVI)



is He in

### LIFE EVENT

A terrible fire had broken out in a house. The firefighters had



They had arrived a while ago and were desperately fighting to put out the fire, but the flames kept growing. A child was crying in a first-floor window, and below, several firefighters were yelling at him to jump, to get down.

They were waiting for him with a trampoline, but it was no use. The boy didn't want to jump; he just cried. The ground floor was completely engulfed in flames, so it was impossible to try to get in to rescue the boy. The firefighters and the people who had gathered called out insistently, urging the boy to jump, assuring him there was no danger, that it was safe, but to no avail.

Suddenly another fire truck appeared at full speed, and a young man got out, wearing his fireman's uniform and red helmet.

"Jump, Carlitos, I'll catch you!" he shouted.

The boy immediately jumped out of the window and landed in the firefighter's arms. The firefighters who used to be felt hurt in their pride because they had been trying for a long time to get the child to jump, without success, and then this lightbulb came along and, by saying it just once, achieved what they had not been able to do.

"Why didn't you jump when we asked you to, and when that happened  
"Man, did you jump instantly?" they asked the boy, somewhat annoyed.  
He replied, while hugging the firefighter who was holding him in his arms: "Because this  
He is my father."

### WE SHARE:

1. What feelings does it awaken in you?
2. What would you highlight about the child's attitude?

### THE WORD OF GOD



"When Jesus left there, two blind men followed him, shouting, 'Son of God!'"

David, have mercy on us! As he entered the house, the blind men approached him.

And He asked them, "Do you believe I can do this?"

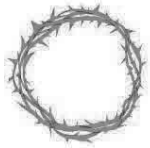
They answered: Yes, sir!

Then Jesus touched the eyes of the blind men and said to them, "According to your faith let it be done to you."  
And their eyes opened.  
(Mt 9, 27-29).

WE FOUND OUT:

1. Based on the text we have read: What is Faith?

## WEEKLY GOAL



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So what is faith? The letter to the Hebrews defines it very well: "Faith is the assurance of things spoken."  
"wait; the proof of realities that are not seen" (Heb 11:1).

That's what faith is. It's that blind trust that believes, even without seeing, because it knows in whom it is placed.  
putting.

Faith has two facets:

Accept that Jesus is the Son of God, my savior.

Trust. It implies unconditional surrender into the hands of God the Father. That child who was  
capable of throwing himself into the smoke and flames, because it was his father who was there  
below.

Gift of God; supernatural power of the Holy Spirit necessary for salvation that allows us

"Now, to enjoy the joy of heaven in advance, but it requires free will..."

Authentic faith leads to demanding trust. This demanding trust consists of daring to

to be present in our lives and works, like Jesus. The apostle James speaks to us about the relationship between faith and works.

"Faith without good works is dead" (Jn 2:14-26)

## CONCLUSION:

We ask for an increase in faith in our prayer.

"Increase faith, hope, and charity."