

Introduction: *Faith Toward God*
Background Scripture: *Hebrews 5:12 – 6:3*

REFLECTION

1. Describe the first time that recall you believed in anything (God, Santa Claus, the Boogeyman, etc.).

2. How did it feel when you found out that someone believed in you (regardless of how you took it)? Describe how it happened.

STUDY

Let's examine our background scripture:

1 ... and of faith toward God ...

1. Share the first time you believed in anything about God. This does not necessarily mean that you were saved at the time, but you did believe that God was real.

2. Read Hebrews 11. How does the Holy Bible define *faith*? Now write it in your own words.

3. Read Romans 10:9-17:

- a. According to this passage of scripture, what is the first goal of Hebrews 11:1?
- b. Identify the "steps" a person takes toward this kind of faith that leads to salvation:
 - i. _ God sends a preacher _____
 - ii. _____
 - iii. _____
 - iv. _____
 - v. _ I call on the name of the Lord ____

4. Hebrews 11:6 gives us a clear statement of God's expectations of our relationship with Him. Why is faith so important to God?

5. What things challenge your faith toward God today? What tools does the Word give us to overcome these challenges?

a. Psalm 15

b. Philippians 4:4-9

6. Read Jude 1:20-21. What do you do to build your faith? How often?

IN YOUR OWN WORDS

Pray that the Holy Spirit will help you build your faith and remove any doubts about who you are in Christ.

Affirmation: I will walk with the Holy Spirit to grow me no longer ignore my hang-ups, hurts, and harms.