



**In Faith**  
**February 27, 2022**

Share about a time when your faith was strengthened? What were the factors that helped you grow closer to God instead of turning away?

**Read Ephesians 2:8-9, Hebrews 11:6, Colossians 2:6-7 and 2 Timothy 4:7**

What do these verses tell us about God? What do they tell us about faith?

Tim Keller makes the statement, “It is not the strength of your faith but the object of your faith that saves you. Strong faith in a weak branch is fatally inferior to weak faith in a strong branch.” When your faith is put to the test, where do you place your trust? Are you ever tempted to only turn to God after you have tried everything else?

Two things that can shake our faith are trials and people. How have these two factors shaped your faith?

Ted challenged us to “stop obsessing over the Christians who have harmed us and start spending time with those who can help us. If mean, judgmental, hypocritical Christians shake your faith, then maybe others can be your source of life?” Do you have people in your life that encourage your faith? Do you need to take steps to surround yourself with people who can help you to grow?

**Read Psalm 90:10 and Romans 5:1-5, Hebrews 10:32-35**

A growing faith does not eliminate trials, it helps us endure them. What are some characteristics produced through trials? Can someone develop a strong, deep faith without trials?

**Read Ephesians 4:29-32**

What does it look like to set a good example in the area of faith? Is there a particular area mentioned in this text that you need to address in your own life?

As painful as the church can be, it is still God’s plan for growing us in Christ. End you time by praying for your church, it’s leaders and yourself. May we be a good example to those around us in every way, but especially in the area of faith.

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

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