**Life Team Bible Study**

For the week of February 26 – Jesus Unfiltered week 4

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* If you could do anything at all – money was not a problem – what would you want to do? And Why?
* Would you rather…
* Go way back in time and meet your ancestors (pre-1800’s) or go way into the future and meet your great-grandchildren (post 2200)?
* Have no Internet or no mobile phone?
* Have a five-star restaurant personal chef who can prepare any meal at any time of day or a chauffeur that can drive you to and from anywhere you want in any vehicle of your choice?
* What do you eat more of - hamburgers, burritos or salads?

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**Luke 17:5-6**

You Don’t Need More Faith - You need faith!

**DEFINING TERMS: What is Biblical Faith?**

**1. Faith is not just INTELLECTUAL belief, it’s LIFE CHANGING belief**

John 1:12, 3:16, James 2:19

* How often to we try to rationalize faith? When we do, is it still faith? (No)

**2. Faith can be OPTIMISTIC or PESSIMISTIC, but it’s always OBEDIENT**

Hebrews 11:6, John 14:15, James 1:22

* Have you ever known a pessimist with great faith? What made it faith?

**3. Faith is measured by what I DO, not what I FEEL.**

Hebrews 11:6, James 2:14-20, Genesis 22:18

* How often do we base our decisions on feeling?
* How does that affect our faith?

**4. DOUBT is not the opposite of faith, DISOBEDIENCE is the opposite**

James 1:5-8, James 2:17

* Doubt often times can do one of two things – it either causes us to seek God, ultimately instilling a greater belief in what he can do, or it leaves us stuck in our own lack of movement or disobedience, wondering if God will really show up. Which one do you find yourself doing most often?

**Matthew 17:14-20**

* Did the disciple have faith to cast out demons in that story? (No)
* What was there problem?
* Who is our faith to be in? Jesus Christ – the power of God

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**5. Faith doesn’t RESCUE us. It GUIDES us.**

Hebrews 11:37-40, Romans 5:3-5

* Does faith solve our problems?
* Does faith guarantee success in our life?
* Does faith bring about miracles?

**6. Ultimately, faith is simply trusting God enough to DO what HE SAYS**

Hebrews 11:6, Proverbs 3:5-7, James 2:21-26

* What is the hardest part of faith? Why?
* How can we walk in faith?
* Where do you need faith?

**HUDDLE**

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* What is keeping you from trusting God in that area?
* Pray with each other?

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