



Key Scripture:

Ephesians 1:21 Message
The church is Christ's body,
in which He speaks and acts, by which He fills everything with His presence.

Growth Potential

Luke 17:5-6 NLT

5 The apostles said to the Lord, "**Show us how to increase our faith.**"
6 The Lord answered, "**If you had faith even as small as a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'May you be uprooted and thrown into the sea,' and it would obey you!**"

Reasons to increase your faith

✓ **Your faith pleases God.**

Hebrews 11:6 NASB
And **without faith it is impossible to please Him...**

✓ **The Lord is moved by your faith.**

Matthew 9:29 NLT
Then **He touched their eyes and said, "Because of your faith, it will happen."**

✓ **Your faith makes anything possible.**

Mark 9:24 CEV
Jesus replied, "**Why do you say 'if you can'?**
Anything is possible for someone who has faith!"

✓ **Acceptance by God is determined by your faith.**

Galatians 2:16 CEV
But we know that **God accepts only those who have faith in Jesus Christ.**
No one can please God by simply obeying the Law. So **we put our faith in Christ Jesus,**
and God accepted us because of our faith.

Notes: _____

The Church
We Grow Our Faith

Growing Faith...

1. Faith first grows within you.

✓ **Think more about the Lord.**

Psalm 1:2 NCV
They love the Lord's teachings,
and **they think about those teachings day and night.**

✓ **Look more to the Lord.**

Hebrews 12:2 NCV
Let us look only to Jesus, the One who began our faith and who makes it perfect.
He suffered death on the cross. But He accepted the shame as if it were nothing because of the joy that God put before Him. And now He is sitting at the right side of God's throne.

✓ **Listen more from the Lord.**

Romans 10:17 NASB
So **faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.**

2. Faith grows out of you.

✓ **Speak more for the Lord**

2 Corinthians 4:13-14 CEV
13 In the Scriptures it says, "**I spoke because I had faith.**" We have that same kind of faith.
So we speak 14 because we know that God raised the Lord Jesus to life.
And just as God raised Jesus, He will also raise us to life.
Then He will bring us into His presence together with you.

✓ **Do more through the Lord.**

Philippians 4:13 NKJV
I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

✓ **Go more with the Lord.**

Isaiah 48:17 NLT
"I am the Lord your God, who teaches you what is good for you
and **leads you along the paths you should follow.**

3. Faith that grows transforms you.

✓ **Be more like the Lord.**

2 Corinthians 3:18 TLB
...as the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like Him.