



**Finding God in Your Fire**  
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Life will present difficulties, challenges, decisions, problems, etc. – fires. We can find faith in our fires. In any fire, the choice is to trust God or not? What are you trusting God for today? When you know what you are trusting God for, you just found faith in your fire.

But what is faith? Faith is not a new car, on the spot healings, lots of money, etc. – not a carte blanche to supernatural power and blessings. Faith is: Letting God be God; trust God while not making sense of everything; the sight of the inward eye; putting self aside so that God can work unhindered; reason at rest in God; it works while it waits. Biblical definition: faith is the assurance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen.

Mustard Seed faith: What could I do if I had the faith the size of one of those tiny mustard seeds? What could my church do if I had just a few hundred people with mustard-seed faith? Go to Matt. 17:19-20.

Fleshly fire escapes. What does a fleshly fire escape look like? It was not “by faith” but “by flesh”

Heb. 11:6: And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

Fireproof faith has confidence in God – anyone who comes to God must believe God is.

Fireproof faith does not ignore or deny problems – faith is not denial.

Fireproof faith is expressed through confidence in the Word of God – must believe that the Bible is the faith book – that the promises of God expressed in the Bible are true.

Fireproof faith must become a way of life -- not insurance to escape hell but live through hell on earth.

To please-Translate, as Alford does, the Greek aorist, "It is impossible to please God at all" (Rom. 8:8). Natural amiabilities and "works done before the grace of Christ are not pleasant to God, forasmuch as they spring not of faith in Jesus Christ; yea, rather, for that they are not done as God hath willed them to be done, we doubt not but they have the nature of sin" [Article XIII, Book of Common Prayer]. Works not rooted in God are splendid sins [Augustine]. (From the Jamieson-Fausset-Brown Bible Commentary).