BIBLE STUDY WORKSHEET

Faith That Moves

Accountability, obedience, and putting belief into action.

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"She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come."
Proverbs 31:25

OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father,

Thank You for saving me by grace and calling me into a life that reflects what I believe. Forgive me for the times I have prayed for change while resisting the steps You placed before me, excused what needed repentance, or expected growth without discipline.

Give me humility to receive correction, courage to take responsibility, and strength to follow through. Let my choices, habits, words, and service become living evidence of faith at work within me.

In Jesus' name, I pray,
Amen.

Name _____ Date _____

Bible Study Group _____ Leader _____

PURPOSE OF THIS STUDY

We are not saved by good works; we are saved by God's grace through faith. Yet living faith does not remain invisible. It produces repentance, obedience, service, perseverance, generosity, and responsibility. This study helps us move from good intentions to faithful action.

[ ] Grace, not earning

[ ] Truth, not excuses

[ ] Action, not intention alone

[ ] Growth through accountability

PART ONE

Faith Becomes Visible

Faith is more than agreement with truth. It becomes visible when belief shapes our decisions and moves us toward obedience.

> "Faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead."
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> **JAMES 2:17**

WHAT JAMES IS TEACHING

James is not saying that we purchase salvation with good behavior. He is confronting a faith that speaks but never responds. A living root produces fruit. In the same way, living faith gradually produces action.

BELIEF + RESPONSE

I believe God forgives - so I confess and repent.
I believe God provides - so I steward what I have.
I believe people matter - so I serve them.
I believe truth matters - so I practice honesty.

Where do your current actions already reflect your faith?

Where is there a gap between what you say you believe and how you are living?

What is one step of obedience you already know to take?

PART TWO

Grace Saves and Grace Sends

Good works are not the price of God's love. They are part of the purpose for which His grace renews us.

> "It is by grace you have been saved, through faith... created in Christ Jesus to do good works."
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> **EPHESIANS 2:8, 10**

NO PRIDE. NO PASSIVITY.

Grace removes pride because we cannot boast that we saved ourselves. Grace also removes passivity because God has prepared meaningful work for us. We obey from acceptance, not to purchase acceptance.

Trying to earn	Responding to grace
I work so God will love me.	God loves me, so I want to honor Him.
Failure proves I am hopeless.	Failure is a place to repent, learn, and return.
I compare my performance.	I faithfully steward my own assignment.
I hide weakness to look spiritual.	I bring weakness into grace and accountability.

Where have you confused accountability with earning God's love?

How does grace give you courage to face what needs to change?

What good work may God have placed in front of you now?

PART THREE

Accountability Is an Act of Love

Healthy accountability helps us tell the truth, keep commitments, repair harm, and grow. It does not humiliate, threaten, or control.

> "As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another."
>
> **PROVERBS 27:17**

SHARPENING REQUIRES RELATIONSHIP

Healthy accountability	Shame or control
Specific and truthful	Vague attacks on character
Invites ownership and repair	Demands fear and compliance
Respects boundaries and safety	Uses secrets, threats, or spiritual pressure
Points toward growth	Keeps a person trapped in failure

Who can lovingly tell you the truth without condemning or controlling you?

What commitment would benefit from regular check-ins?

How do you normally respond when correction touches a tender place?

ACCOUNTABILITY QUESTION

What did you say you would do, what actually happened, and what faithful step comes next?

PART FOUR

Repentance Takes Responsibility

Biblical repentance is more than feeling sorry. It turns toward truth and begins taking different steps.

> "Produce fruit in keeping with repentance."
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> **MATTHEW 3:8**

FROM EXCUSE TO OWNERSHIP

Context can explain behavior without erasing responsibility. Trauma, stress, habits, and other people's choices may affect us deeply. Accountability asks what remains ours to acknowledge, repair, learn, and change.

FOUR MOVEMENTS OF REPAIR

1. Name what happened without minimizing.
2. Acknowledge the impact without demanding quick forgiveness.
3. Make repair where possible and safe.
4. Practice changed behavior consistently over time.

What do you need to acknowledge without defending or minimizing?

Who may have been affected by your choice?

What repair is possible, appropriate, and safe?

What repeated action would demonstrate genuine change?

PART FIVE

Small Obedience Builds a Faithful Life

Spiritual growth often happens through ordinary choices repeated with humility, discipline, and dependence on God.

> "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much."
>
> **LUKE 16:10**

STOP WAITING FOR PERFECT CONDITIONS

Procrastination can disguise itself as preparation. Faithful action begins with the next clear step, even when motivation is small and the whole plan is unfinished.

Area	A faithful work	My next small action
Faith	Prayer, Scripture, obedience	
Relationships	Listen, apologize, keep promises	
Home / work	Diligence, order, stewardship	
Community	Serve, encourage, give	

What have you been postponing while waiting to feel ready?

What could you complete in the next 15 minutes?

What rhythm or reminder would help you remain consistent?

REMEMBER

Small faithfulness is still faithfulness. Consistency matters more than dramatic promises that never become practice.

PRACTICE

My Faith-in-Action Plan

Choose one area where belief needs a concrete response. Keep the step specific, realistic, measurable, and connected to prayer.

The truth I believe God is asking me to live:

The specific action I will take:

When and where I will do it:

What obstacle or excuse usually stops me?

How I will respond when that obstacle appears:

The person who will check in with me:

SEVEN-DAY ACCOUNTABILITY

[ ] Pray before acting
[ ] Complete the next step
[ ] Record what happened
[ ] Tell the truth quickly
[ ] Repair when needed
[ ] Celebrate progress with humility

MY ANCHOR PRAYER

Lord, turn what I believe into faithful action. Help me begin, continue, and finish what obedience requires.

CLOSING TOGETHER

Do Not Only Hear - Do

Faith grows stronger when truth moves from our minds into our habits, relationships, work, service, and everyday decisions.

CLOSING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, thank You that salvation is Your gift, not our achievement. Let that grace produce honest and fruitful lives. Give us humility to receive correction, courage to repent, discipline to follow through, and love that becomes visible through service. Protect us from shame and pride, and surround us with trustworthy people who help us grow. May our faith be heard in our words and seen in our actions. Amen.

A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT

You do not need to transform everything today. Take the next faithful step, tell the truth about the result, and keep walking with God.

CLOSING CIRCLE

One action I will take because of what I believe:

One way this group can hold me accountable with grace:

MY DECLARATION

By God's grace, my faith will not remain only in words. I will take responsibility, welcome loving accountability, and practice the next faithful step.

Signature _____ Date _____