

## Small Group Discussion Guide

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### A NEW ASSIGNMENT SERIES

*"Let Your Faith Guide You"*

2 Tim 1: 1 - 18

- **Read Hebrews 10:38, 11:1.** List 3 synonyms for faith; then define faith as you see it. Compare your definition of faith to the one given in Heb 11:1. Why do you think unstable faith displeases God so much? Share an experience in which you demonstrated great faith. What was the outcome? We are people of great faith. Little do we realize it; but almost every action we perform from sitting on a chair, to driving our cars, to having a surgical procedure requires faith. Explain why this is so.
- **Read Gen. 12:1-4A.** Discuss the magnitude of God's request of Abraham. What does Abraham's immediate response say about his faith? Considering the facts of Abraham's situation, share how you would have responded to God's request. Explain why modern day Christians' faith should be stronger than Abraham's.
- **Read James 1:2-4.** In what ways is your faith being tested during these difficult times? Discuss the response God expects of us in times of trials. Compare your response to the testing of your faith to God's expectation. On a scale of 1-10, how do you measure up in this area?
- **Read Ruth 1:8-16.** Explain why Ruth is such an excellent example of one who allowed her faith to lead her? How do you think Ruth's steadfast faith had developed? Recall any persons who have helped you to acquire a measure of faith and tell how they helped. Identify the two obvious enemies of faith found in this passage of scripture. Which enemy of faith do you struggle with most? How do you combat it? Why is it important to have a strategic plan to keep your faith firm? Share your individual plan for maintaining firm faith.
- **Read Joshua 6:1-16, 20A.** Discuss the disadvantage on the part of the Israelites which would have tested your faith if you had been in their situation. Tell how the Israelites demonstrated great faith and steadfastness in their faith. To what do you contribute their great faith? What do you learn from them that you can implement to make your faith stronger? Explain how 2 Cor. 5:7 applies to the Joshua and the Ruth passages of scripture.
- **Taking It Home—How Will I Apply It:** Read and meditate upon the 'faith' chapter—Hebrews 11. Memorize these scriptures and inculcate them into your prayers: 2 Tim. 1:7, 1 Cor. 1:9, 2 Cor. 9:10, Ps.27:1, Rom. 8:31.

#### I. You have the faith to handle it.

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#### II. You have the gift to handle it.

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#### III. You have the gospel to handle it.

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