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Foundational Spiritual Skills

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1 John 1:9 Gal. 5:16 2 Pet. 1:3,4

Eph. 5:18 2 Cor. 5:7
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2 Cor. 5:7, "for we walk by faith, not by sight—"

1. Faith:

Trust in a

promise

principle

procedure

revealed and defined in Scripture.

2. The first step: We grab on to some portion of a promise, or a principle, or a procedure defined in Scripture.

2 Peter 1:3, "seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence.

2 Peter 1:4, "For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of *the* divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust."

Psa. 18:2,
"The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer;
my God, my strength, in whom I will trust;
my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower."

Psa. 62:7, "In God is my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God."

Psa. 91:2, "I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust."

Psa. 91:4, "He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler."

1 Peter 5:5, "Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to *your* elders. Yes, all of *you* be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for 'God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble.'

1 Peter 5:7, "casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you."

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3. Doctrinal Rationale

We find the underlying logic or reasoning behind the passage.

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4. Then we reach conclusions:

a. We think about WHAT this passage has said.

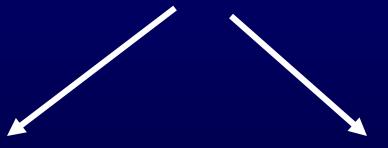
Isa. 26:4, "Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength:"

Psa. 56:3, "What time I am afraid, I will trust in Thee."

Psa. 56:4, "In God I will praise His word, in God I have put my trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto me."

Faith-Rest

Faith: Trust in God's Word



Passive
"resting in
God's promise"
relaxation

Active
"doing or
performing as
necessary"

45 "Then David said to the Philistine, 'You come to me with a sword, a spear, and a javelin, but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have taunted.'

46 "This day the Lord will deliver you up into my hands, and I will strike you down and remove your head from you. And I will give the dead bodies of the army of the Philistines this day to the birds of the sky and the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel,"

47 "and that all this assembly may know that the Lord does not deliver by sword or by spear; for the battle is the Lord's and He will give you into our hands."