

# HOW DO I KNOW WHEN I'M STANDING BY FAITH?

Faith is a law Rom. 3:27 that works. We can know if we're standing by faith.

1. I have a **Word** on it (verse, promise, Bible truth I am believing) (Rom 10:17).
2. I have an **inner confidence** or assurance (Heb. 11:1, 34), an inner knowing (1 Jn. 5:14, 15), or am fully persuaded (inner certainty) (Rm. 4:21).
3. I have **joy and peace** (Rm. 15:13).
4. I am at **rest** (a relaxed attitude of trust) and not anxious (Heb. 4:9, 10). Where faith begins anxiety ends.
5. I have a **way of looking at my circumstance** that may not be understood by the less informed because I'm looking at the unseen (2 Cor. 4:18) and not natural sight (2 Cor. 5:7).
6. My **words** (2 Cor. 4:13; Rom. 4:18) and **actions** (James 2:17-20) **affirm my belief** or stand of faith; in other words, my stand of faith affects the way I talk and act.

# ARE YOU STANDING? CHECK YOURSELF

1. "...for by faith ye stand 2 Cor. 1:24 (Rm. 11:20)."
  - a. Standing means to stay in faith on the Word you believe, holding to it by continuing to believe it and confess it.
  - b. Literally to stand means to hold up; abide; continue; persist; persevere; be of a steadfast mind; to stand ready.
  - c. Figuratively to stand or make a stand speaks of "one who vanquishes his adversaries and holds the ground or in the midst of the fight holds his position against his foe."
  
2. "Let him that thinketh he stands take heed, lest he fall 1 Cor.10:11."
  
3. "... having done all to stand, stand therefore... Eph. 6:13, 14."