

abstraction. True faith is not just an attitude of mind. True faith is confidence in something or someone that is dependable, even if that one is not visible to us.

I saw a most interesting instance of what true faith was the other day. I was driving on a Pennsylvania expressway on which there was a sign that said, "speed limit, 60 miles an hour." I was going up a long grade, there was --ahead I could see the road winding up to the top of the hill, then beyond the top of the hill, I could see nothing. I continued straight up that hill at 60 miles an hour, but the thought occurred to me, supposing that just over the top of the hill there should be a sharp drop. Suppose the road is ruined over there and there is a big ditch. Suppose the road just stops over there and doesn't go on any further. Wouldn't I be foolish to be driving straight ahead here at 60 miles an hour? The answer was that I had faith in the Pennsylvania highway department, I believed that if they put up a sign that said 60 miles an hour I could trust then that the road continued beyond the top of the hill and that I would have plenty of warning to slow down before there would be need of a sharp stop. I could trust them that the road had not been greatly damaged just over the hill, that if it was, they would have put up a warning sign on this side. On account of my faith in the Pa. Highway Department I could drive vigorously forward and could --with a large measure of security.

True faith is faith in someone or something that is dependable, even if that one is not visible to us. Faith in God, Heb. 11 talks about faith in God. Our faith --like Moses, we endure as seeing Him who is invisible. We do not see Him. We have-- we don't have the same kind of knowledge of His presence as we do (10 3/4)

but we believe that He is there. We have confidence that He will do what He has promised to do--we put faith in God. How do we know anything about God, so that we can put faith in Him? Hebrews 11 goes through the O.T. picking out outstanding features of it to discuss. The way that we know --if we have faith in God, we have Faith in God's Word. We do not worship the Bible, but we believe the Bible. We have faith in God, and therefore we know that what the Bible says is true, because it is His Word.