

Walking in Christ: FAITH & TRUST (2 Tim. 1:12)

I. The Concept of “Calculated Risk”

- A. We weigh the _____ for whether God can be trusted; We count the _____ of obeying God; We make a deliberate _____ to trust and obey Him.
- B. Faith is not a *gullible* choice, for we have “calculated” the risk very soberly — but it is certainly a *choice*. (Hb. 11:6)
- C. We never make a more important decision than when, having considered the options, we say: **I will trust God.**

II. The Example of Israel’s Failure. (Hb. 3:18,19. Cf. Num. 14:6-12)

III. Walking By Faith (Rom. 1:17; 2 Cor. 5:7. Cf. Gen. 15:6)

- A. Faith is the great _____ of our lives, the ultimate _____ in our choices and decisions.
- B. Faith is an active, engaged trust in the character and promises of God (Hb. 11:7, 8-19; cf. Ac. 21:10-14; Jas. 2:17)
- C. _____ is what was lost in Eden (Gen. 3:4-6), and if the problem of sin is to be overcome, trust in God must be restored.
- D. Some steps we can take:
 - 1. _____ to make decisions based on trust in God.
 - 2. _____ times of uncertainty or fear when our faith demonstrated little trust.
 - 3. _____ ways that we can trust God more in the use of our money.
 - 4. _____ for unplanned opportunities to show love, mercy, and kindness.
 - 5. _____ our faith through the small, day-to-day tasks.