

*Faith is man believing in God. Grace is  
God believing in man.*

## December 1

Life is a partnership, a two-way street, a series of giving and taking that makes a healthy and productive relationship. Without this partnership life as we know it cannot continue. Even God, though He is sovereign and accountable to no one has chosen to accomplish His will by partnering with mankind. The strength and health of any relationship is dependent on each one doing their part in an unselfish way.

The relationship you have with God, contrary to some belief, is not all about you. Faith is what you offer to God hoping that it will change your world. Grace, however, is what God offers to you, hoping that it will change His world. God is your hope ... you are His. So, put your faith and trust in God while He, in return, puts His trust in you. Use your God-given graces of life to benefit God's Kingdom and not just your own.

### Prayer for Today

God, help me to realize that our relationship is a two way street and that we both depend upon one another for the help that we need. I know I can trust my future to You and ask that You trust Your plans to me. By Your grace, I will not fail You.

### Scriptures for Today

Colossians 1:27 To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. (NKJV)

Ephesians 2:8 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God. (NKJV)

Romans 5:2 Through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. (NKJV)