Daily Devotion For November 16, 2022

"Draw near to God and He will draw near to you." James 4:8

Have you ever asked yourself the question, why is my faith so unstable? Sometimes my faith is very strong but at other times my faith is so weak I'm not sure if it is even there.

If the truth be told, I think that is the normal Christian life but it isn't necessarily the way that God wants us to live. Instead, God wants us to have a stable, steady faith, a faith that becomes a solid foundation for our lives, and grows even stronger as the years go by.

God has provided everything we need for us to have this kind of faith. First, He has given us His son Jesus Christ who came into the world to rescue us from sin and make us part of His family forever. James 4:8 says, "Draw near to God and He will draw near to you."

God has also given us the means by which our faith can be strengthened. Romans 10:17 says that "Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God. God has given us His Word the Bible. We should make time every day to read God's Word, even if it's only a few minutes or a few paragraphs.

Additionally, God has given us the privilege of prayer. God speaks to us through His Word, and we speak to Him through our prayers, not only bringing our burdens to Him but thanking Him for all He does for us.

One last thing that God has given us is the privilege of fellowship with other believers. When we come to Christ, we become part of God's family. Someone once said there is no such thing as a "Lone Ranger" Christian. We need each other.

Thought For Today: If you feel as though your faith is not as strong as you want it to be, which of the four areas listed above to you need to strengthen?

Today's Prayer Focus: Pray that your faith and the faith of our church family would be strengthened. Continue to pray for those who are sick, suffering, have lost loved ones. Deo Volente.