

“Faith OF Jesus vs. Faith IN Jesus”

Substituting “faith in” for “faith of” makes a big difference in the meanings of several passages. In modern translations, all of the following passages are translated “faith in.”

Summary of passages that describe the faith OF Jesus:

- **Romans 3:22** The righteousness of God was displayed through Jesus’ faith, not our faith. Our faith displays the righteousness of God less frequently.
- **Romans 3:26** We are to have the faith of Jesus, not faith in Jesus. This is similar to 1 John 2:6, in which we are to walk as Jesus walked. Also, 2 Timothy 1:13 admonishes us to persevere by Jesus’ faith, not by our own.
- **Galatians 2:16** We are justified by the faith of Jesus, not by our own faith.
- **Galatians 2:20** I live by His faith, not by my faith.
- **Galatians 3:22** Jesus’ faith enabled the promise by which sinful believers are rescued from themselves.
- **Ephesians 3:12** Our confidence toward and access to God are due to Jesus’ faith, not our faith.
- **Philippians 3:9** Our righteousness is based on Jesus’ faith, not our own.
- **James 2:1** Our goal is to have the faith of Jesus.
- **Revelation 14:12** The faithful are described as obedient and having the faith of Jesus, not faith in Jesus.

Several passages describe faith (believing) IN Jesus or IN God or IN the Name:

Acts 3:16, 10:43:, 16:34, 20:21, 24:24
Galatians 2:16, 3:26
Colossians 1:4, 2:5
Titus 3:8
1 John 3:23, 5:10, 5:13

Romans 4:5, 4:24, 9:33, 10:11
Philippians 1:29
1 Timothy 1:16
1 Peter 1:21
Ephesians 1:15

Several passages describe OUR faith, without specifying but implying IN Jesus and/or God:

Romans 1:8, 10:17, 12:3
2 Corinthians 1:24, 10:15
Philippians 2:17
2 Thessalonians 1:3 – 4
Titus 1:1
Hebrews 6:1, 6:12, 10:22 – 23, 10:38, 11:1 – 40, 12:2
James 2:1 – 26, 5:15
2 Peter 1:5

1 Corinthians 2:5, 15:14
1 Thessalonians 3:2 – 10
2 Timothy 1:5, 3:15
Philemon 5 – 6
1 Peter 1:7, 1:9, 1:21
Jude 20