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# Background in the handout

# 1/2 brother



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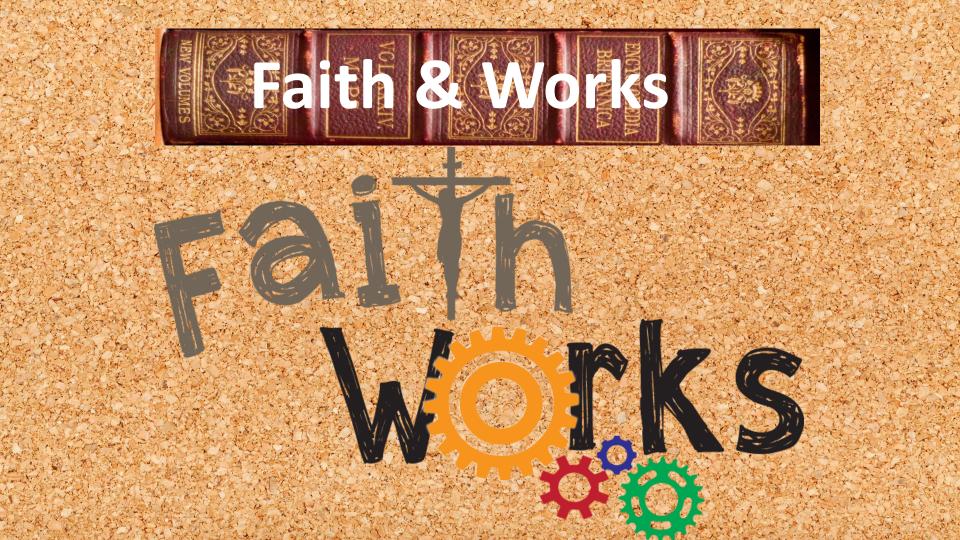
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"Cursed be anyone who does not confirm the words of this law by doing them.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.' ~Deuteronomy 27:26

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- 5. Prayer of Jesus → Mt 6:9, Jn 15&17, +

# Trials right Treat right Talk right Pray right

Take

# Take Action!

# A-doration C-onfession T-hanksgiving S-upplication

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