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# 2 Corinthians 4:13–16, Philippians The Same Spirit Of Faith

#### **Review**

- 1. New theme... the same spirit of faith
- 2. Understanding the faith
- a. A specific kind of faith
- b. A description of the faith (Rom 1, 4)

## The spirit of faith

How do we understand the spirit of faith?

# 1. It is not just a matter of possessing mental knowledge of the faith

- a. Need to go beyond just knowledge of the faith
- b. Need to understand what the spirit of faith is

## 2. Source of understanding

"according to what is written, "I believed and therefore I spoke," we also believe and therefore speak," (2 Corinth 4:13)

- a. From the Scriptures
- b. According to what has been written down
- c. Reference to Ps 116

# 3. The spirit of faith

- a. Deliverance
- i. There is deliverance of the soul from death
- "For You have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, and my feet from falling. I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living." (Ps 116:8,9)
- ii. Deep response of love for the Lord
- "I love the Lord, because He has heard my voice and my supplications." (Ps 116:1)

- b. Deliberate determination to walk with the Lord
- "I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living." (Ps 116:9)
- i. Deliverance should teach us how to deliberately walk with the Lord
- iii. Paul also sought to deliberately live his life
- c. Definitiveness
- "I believed, therefore I spoke," (Psalm 116:10, 2 Corinth 4:13)
- i. "I believe"...we need to define our faith
- ii. What is it that we really believe in that we are convicted to speak about.
- iii. Paul had such definitiveness in speaking of his faith