

## Faith that Anchors Me in the Storms of Life

**James 2:18 NLT.** *Now someone may argue, “Some people have faith; others have good deeds.” But I say, “How can you show me your faith if you don’t have good deeds? I will show you my faith by my good deeds.”*

✓ **Faith that doesn’t work is \_\_\_\_\_**

**Matthew 7:24–27 NIV.** *“Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. <sup>25</sup> The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. <sup>26</sup> But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. <sup>27</sup> The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.”*

**Hebrews 6:19 NIV.** *We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain,*

**Psalms 119:81 The Living Bible** *I faint for your salvation; but I expect your help, for you have promised it.*

# How do We Anchor Our Lives to the Rock of God’s Word?

**1. Faith anchors me when I treat \_\_\_\_\_ from God to me**

**Isaiah 59:21 NLT.** *“And this is my covenant with them,” says the LORD. “My Spirit will not leave them, and neither will these words I have given you. They will be on your lips and on the lips of your children and your children’s children forever. I, the LORD, have spoken!”*

**James 1:17–18 NIV** *Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. <sup>18</sup> He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created.*

## Five Aspects of the Word of God

**1. God’s Word is \_\_\_\_\_**

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**Romans 15:4 NCV.** *Everything that was written in the past was written to teach us. The Scriptures give us patience and encouragement so that we can have hope.*

2. Faith Anchors me when I \_\_\_\_\_

**James 1:21 NLT** *So get rid of all the filth and evil in your lives, and humbly accept the word God has planted in your hearts, for it has the power to save your souls.*

3. Study it and \_\_\_\_\_

**James 1:22–25 NLT.** *But don't just listen to God's word. You must do what it says. Otherwise, you are only fooling yourselves. <sup>23</sup> For if you listen to the word and don't obey, it is like glancing at your face in a mirror. <sup>24</sup> You see yourself, walk away, and forget what you look like. <sup>25</sup> But if you look carefully into the perfect law that sets you free, and if you do what it says and don't forget what you heard, then God will bless you for doing it.*

## 5 Conditions for God's Blessing

1. \_\_\_\_\_ to the Word of God

2. \_\_\_\_\_ at the Word of God

3. \_\_\_\_\_ the Word of God says

4. \_\_\_\_\_ of God

**Joshua 1:8 NLT** *Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it. Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do.*

5. \_\_\_\_\_

**Proverbs 30:26** **The Living Bible.** *There are four things that are small but unusually wise: Ants: they aren't strong, but store up food for the winter. Cliff badgers: delicate little animals who protect themselves by living among the rocks. The locusts: though they have no leader, they stay together in swarms. The lizards: they are easy to catch and kill, yet are found even in king's palaces!*