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The Lord wants you to live in His liberty and freedom.

1 John 5:4 *For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith.* (NIV)

I wonder sometimes, if we really understand how important faith is. It is by faith that we have been saved. As Christians, we are to live by faith. The scripture even reminds us that whatever is not from faith is sin. But, what exactly is faith? Many believe it is a blind leap of hope. Actually, faith is a reasoned response to the revelation of God. **Heb. 11:1-2** *Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for.* (NIV)

Each one of us lives by some type of faith. You have faith that your heart will keep beating so that your blood can deliver oxygen and nutrients to your cells. But have you ever noticed that you don't have to tell your heart to beat. You don't have to remind your lungs to fill up with oxygen. In a sense, we live by physical truths that oversee our physical being.

Just as it is natural to breathe, it is supernatural for us as believers to trust in God's Word and in His Holy Spirit's leading. Faith is the absolute assurance that God will do what He says He will do. This is based on evidence. As Jesus told Nicodemus, you can't see the wind, but you know it is there. You see the effects of it. So it is with faith; the assurance about what we do not see. It is living by faith that causes us to live as overcomers. Remember, we walk by faith, not by sight. We know our God is faithful and that He will always be there for us.

Dear LORD, help us to walk by faith and not by sight. There are many things we cannot see or understand and yet all we need is You. Your leadership and insight can lead us through all types of issues and situations. We choose to walk in faith today. In Jesus Name, Amen