

Faith & Reason Series - **In Action**

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Personal Reflection

Take time this week to pray & respond to the following:

It does little good to have tools & knowledge of how to use them if one lacks the motivation or desire to act. Tools & knowledge alone never built anything. Intentional effort is necessary because building & maintaining require persistent, faithful labor. This is especially true in the areas of spiritual growth & maturity.

If you are a follower of Jesus Christ, your desire should be to put the tools (saving faith & sound reason) God has given into action so that you may fulfill His plan for your life.

God has proclaimed truth throughout the cosmos and in the pages of His Word. For those that have eyes to see & ears to hear, there is much we can understand & respond to. First & foremost, a person must address their need for forgiveness & the saving grace of God. He requires an exercise of saving faith & sound reason in order to know Him because relationships are built on both intellectual & emotional grounds. God wants all of you to believe in all of Him.

You have been given the gifts of saving faith & sound reason. How are you using them? Are you idle & ambivalent or active & growing? Is your heart & mind fertile soil for the truths of God to take root & grow? Moreover, are you bearing fruit so that others may also see, know & understand the love of God through the Lord Jesus Christ?

Prayerfully ask God to spur your faith & intellect into action. Thank Him for the opportunities He gives anew each day—opportunities to learn, grow & serve for His glory & to the increase of your joy. Praise the One that has empowered you to experience these blessings of life. Be encouraged by the fact that the best is yet to come.

I. Active Or Idle?

II. The Parable Of The Sower

Luke 8

v. 4-8

The Parable

v. 9-10

The Reason

v. 11-15

The Meaning

III. Great Responsibility
