The Power Circle

"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God" (Romans 8:14). There's an 'idiot-proof' way we can measure whether we are being <u>led</u> by the Spirit of God. Likewise there is an 'idiot-proof' way we can measure whether we are operating in **faith**. The testimony of the Holy Spirit is always a testimony of **peace**. When the <u>peace of God</u> is ruling in our hearts, this means that we are hearing the voice of God and living in the realm of faith. If we do not have **peace** in our hearts, this means that we have not heard God's voice correctly, and we are therefore, not under the covering of faith. "Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word (voice) of God" (Romans 10:17). Notice <u>peace</u> is evidence that we have heard God's voice and are living in faith!

"And He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace and be healed of your affliction" (Mark 5:34). "And He said to the woman, 'Your faith has saved you; go in peace" (Luke 8:48).

"Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peacewith God through our Lord Jesus Christ" (Romans 5:1). "Peace be to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ" (Ephesians 6:23).

The two words that interrelate in each of these Scriptures are the words 'faith' and 'peace.' If we don't have peace in our heart about a thing, we know to back off. Therefore, we are to seek the peace that comes from God Himself. The Amplified Bible says:

There is a reason that the **peace** of God and the **faith** walk go hand in hand. In the new covenant God's peace is a heavenly peace that is designed to let us know that we are in the perfect will of God. God's peace serves to give us perimeters for our **faith** journey. If we cross the borders or perimeters of **peace**, we know something is not right.

The **faith** that comes from God is a faith without mixture. It has no fear in it, no doubt, no confusion, no condemnation, or any other such thing. It comes to us in a pure spiritual atmosphere of heavenly **peace**. To seek to walk in this peace should be the continual aim of every one of us.

The apostle Paul adds to this in saying, "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in onebody; and be thankful." (Colossians 3:15)

Keep in mind that we are talking about a special peace. The peace that comes from the throne is a clear witness that we are children of God and that we are in God's will. This is why the apostle said that God's kingdom is not about what we eat or drink. It is about righteousness, **peace**, and joy <u>in the Holy Spirit</u>. So remember, the faith we are to live by is administered to us by the **Holy Spirit**.

This peace is the continual testimony of the Holy Spirit to our spirits that everything is all right.