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Question: What kind of faith must I have in Jesus to be saved?

Answer: You must have a faith that includes three things:

1st... Assent. When you hear the story of Jesus, and believe it, you're giving mental assent to the truth of what you've heard. This is a part of faith, but this alone cannot save.

2nd...Trust. This goes beyond assent. Trust involves taking Jesus at His word. A missionary was working among a tribe who had no word for "faith". Then, one day a tribesman came from working in his field, sat down exhausted and said, "It is so good to have a chair to put your whole weight down upon." The missionary realized that was the expression for which he'd searched so long. Faith (trust) means putting the full weight of your life down on Jesus!

3rd...Obedience. Faith that is unwilling to obey isn't faith at all. Over and over again, the Hebrew writer illustrates this by some of God's great servants: "***By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain...***" (*Heb. 11:4*). "***By faith Noah... prepared an ark for the saving of his household...***" (*vs. 7*). "***By faith, Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out...***" (*vs. 8*). In each case, faith always obeys

Thus, to have a faith that saves, you must accept Jesus as God's Son (assent), take Him at His word (trust), and do what He says (obedience).

--Steve McCaslin