



Growing FAITH at home

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TWELFTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
– PROPER 15

FAITH IN JESUS



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CONVERSATIONS

Share your highs and lows, or respond to the following:

1. Name someone you know who has a great faith. Why do you say that about them?
2. Share ways you can help each other to have a great faith.



BIBLE READINGS

Read the following Bible readings throughout this week.
Talk about what words or phrases stand out for you.

1st reading

Genesis 45:1-15

Joseph makes himself known

2nd reading

Romans 11:1-32

God saves Jews and Gentiles

Gospel reading

Matthew 15:10-28

A woman's faith

DISCUSS

Jesus said that the Canaanite woman who came to him had 'great faith' (Matthew 15:21-28). How did she show her faith?



ACTION RESPONSE

The Canaanite woman who came to Jesus for help wasn't made very welcome by his disciples (Matt 15:23). Are newcomers welcomed at your church? What part do you play in welcoming others? Plan a way to make someone who is relatively new to your church feel more at home, or offer to serve as part of your congregation's greeting/welcoming ministry.



PRAYER

Father God, thank you for sending us your Holy Spirit to help us have faith in you. Give us courage to live out our faith and share it with others. Amen.



MEALTIME PRAYER

Lord, we give you praise and gratitude, for food and drink and family too. And also for a roof above, but most of all for your great love. Amen.



BLESSING

May God show loving kindness towards you and make his face shine upon you.

JESUS ANSWERED,
"WOMAN, YOU HAVE GREAT FAITH!
YOUR REQUEST IS GRANTED."

MATTHEW 15:28

VERSE OF THE WEEK

