

# Activate Your Faith!

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 and bring you peace and prosperity.  
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*Proverbs 3:1-8*

**Activate your faith by being devoted to the Lord with wholehearted trust and in a posture of humility.**

## 1. Devoted to the Lord.

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V. 1

a. Pursue after God and His Word.

*So keep at your work, this faith and love rooted in Christ, exactly as I set it out for you. It's as sound as the day you first heard it from me. Guard this precious thing placed in your custody by the Holy Spirit who works in us.*

2 Timothy 1:13-14

b. Let God transform you to be more like Jesus.

*The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, "The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness,* Exodus 34:6

## 2. With wholehearted trust.

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart*

*and lean not on your own understanding;*

V. 5

a. Be all in.

*And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.*

Colossians 3:17

b. Remember God is dependable.

*God is faithful [He is reliable, trustworthy and ever true to His promise—He can be depended on], and through Him you were called into fellowship with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.*

1 Corinthians 1:9 AMP

## 3. In a posture of humility.

*Do not be wise in your own eyes;*

*fear the Lord and shun evil.*

V. 7

a. God's way is better.

*For it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.*

Philippians 2:13

b. Submit to His purpose.

*Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.*

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