

Following in the Footsteps of the Faith

Introduction:

- the poem, "Footprints"
- what does it mean, what does it take, to follow Jesus?
- faith
- what are the benefits / effects of faith?

What can we learn: What are the blessings that flow from faith?

1. we're able to stand in the _____ of God
2. we're _____
3. we are included in the _____ made to Abraham
4. we have something _____ to look forward to
5. we can face tomorrow with _____ and _____

Putting it into action: How do we cultivate a vibrant faith?

- by putting our faith in what Christ has _____ rather than what we're _____
- by trusting that faith is an internal _____, not an external _____
- by understanding that the promises of God are a _____ given, not a wage _____
- by being _____ that God is able to accomplish all that He has _____

In conclusion:

- the importance of faith should never be underestimated for by it we are:
 - _____, able to be in the presence of God
 - _____ of our sins
 - _____ in the family of God
 - _____ of the promise, and

- _____ of the future
- so...
 - _____ on Jesus
 - _____ in the spiritual realities
 - receive, appreciate, and enjoy the gift of grace, and
 - _____ in the power and promises of God
- this is what it means to follow in the footsteps of faith. →

Amen.