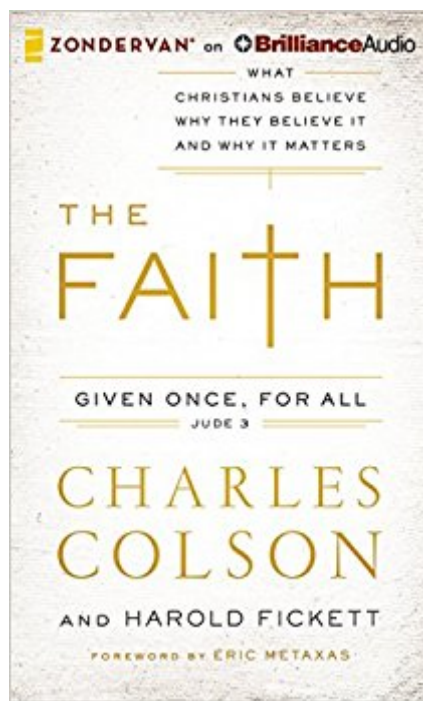


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Rightly understood and rightly communicated, the Christian faith is one of great joy. It is an invitation to God's kingdom, where tears are replaced by laughter and longing hearts find their purpose and their home. This is the heart of the gospel: God's search to reclaim us and love us as his own. But have we truly grasped this? Those of us who have disdained Christianity as a religion of bigotry • have we repudiated the genuine article or merely demonstrated our own prejudice and ignorance? Those of us who are Christians • have we deeply apprehended the mission of Jesus, and do our ways and character faithfully reflect his beauty? From the nature of God, to the human condition, to the work of Jesus, to God's coming kingdom, and all that lies between, how well do we understand the foundational truths of Christianity and their implications? The Faith is an audiobook for our troubled times and for decades to come, for Christians and non-Christians alike. It is the most important audiobook Chuck Colson ever wrote: a thought-provoking, soul-searching, and powerful manifesto of the great, historical central truths of Christianity that have sustained believers through the centuries. Brought to immediacy with vivid, true stories, here is what Christianity is really about and why it is a religion of hope, redemption, and beauty.

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The Faith by Chuck Colson and Harold Fickett defines the essential doctrines of the Christian faith. Mr. Colson expresses alarm by the postmodern influence that has crept into our culture. He writes: "Most professing Christians don't know what they believe, and so can neither understand nor defend the Christian faith--much less live it" (p.9). Mr. Colson is right when he says that we have

become self-absorbed, self-indulgent, and materialistic. These smack of idolatry. True Christians have not left God, but continue on as Christians of old. We understand the essential doctrines and work to prepare ourselves to defend our faith, while living out our faith in accordance with God's Word. Only God can change hearts and minds. The question is not whether all are called, but whether if all who are called will turn to Him. May it be so. For those who are true Christians, The Faith is also a call to believers to rally around the faith in response to increased attacks on Christianity by secularism and radical Islam, for only the orthodox Christian faith can be a "bulwark of sanity and reason" against barbarism" (p. 223). How is this to be accomplished? Mr. Colson explains: "We have two divinely authorized commissions. The first is well known, the Great Commission, to make disciples and baptize them (Mat.28:19,). But the second is equally important. It is to bring the righteousness of God to bear on all of life, to take dominion, to carry out the tasks we are given in the first chapters of Genesis, to bring a redeeming influence into a fallen culture. I call this the Cultural Commission..." (p.107). The task is difficult, hindered by postmodern influences on the younger generation.

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