

Did You Know...

Acronyms can be used in a positive manner?

I.B.G.	(I Believe God)
H.B.R.	(Hope, Believe, Receive)
W.T.F.	(Work, Trust, Faith)
LLS	(Live, Love, Smile)
O.M.G.	(Only My God)
L.O.L.	(Live Out Loud)
C.T.H.U.	(Constantly, Trusting, Hoping, Undoubtedly)

Use some additional acronyms in a positive manner:

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Sol·dier (sōl'jər)-noun:

a skilled and experienced worker who is dedicated to a cause

Trained (trān)-verb:

taught; disciplined; given specialized instructions to improve

Re·spon·sive (rī-spōn'siv)-adjective:

reacting quickly, strongly or favorably

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"You are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light" 1 Peter 2:9



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Sharing God's Word

"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden." Matthew 5:14

"Faithbook"

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Have you ever *desired* something so bad, and you did not know how you could obtain it? Inwardly you *believed* that, if you could obtain that special gift that everything would be just fine. Perhaps, you *believed* that your parents would purchase it for you, especially if you've earned good grades in school, and or if you have completed your chores. So, every day you worked diligently to show your parents that you were worthy of the reward. In the end, I'm sure you were rewarded for your hard work and efforts. God desires to give us what our heart desires, if we find happiness in serving Him. *"Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you your heart's desires"* (Proverbs 37:4). We must believe God at all times.

This concept of desiring and believing is what we call FAITH. Faith is as simple as hoping something and believing that you will get it. *"So you see, faith by itself isn't enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless"* (James 2:17, NLT). Having Faith in God just isn't good enough. You have to work towards your goals while believing God for a successful outcome. To be successful in all of your endeavors, you must believe God for all things. Your dreams and goals might seem impossible, because of the hard work that you have to put into it. Don't be discouraged. With God all things are possible and you can accomplish anything you desire. *"Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see"* (Hebrews 11:1, NLT). Your faith will give you hope even when you cannot see the light at the end of the tunnel.

If your desire is to make the honor roll in school, BELIEVE, WORK towards it, and YOU SHALL RECEIVE IT. Perhaps, you desire to attend college, but aren't sure where the money is going to come from; BELIEVE, WORK towards it (apply for scholarships), and YOU SHALL RECEIVE IT. When I was in school, my desire was to make the honor roll and to make my parents proud. I knew that I could do it, so I believed in myself and I put in the work to accomplish my desire. My focus was not on the latest fashions, the boyfriend/girlfriend thing, or which clique I could connect with. Because I was focused on the right things, God blessed me to exceed my educational goals. Not only did I attend college, but God made a way for me to finance it. You can achieve your dreams, if you keep the FAITH.

Caring for God's People

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

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In order to share your faith with others, you have to have an understanding of the scriptures that are in the book (Bible) concerning Faith. How often is your FACE in the Book of Faith? To effectively communicate and share the word of God to others, you have to read/study the book (Bible) daily, just like you do in school.

Facebook is a social media network that was intended for individuals to connect and network with others of similar desires. On a given day, you can spend countless of hours surfing *Facebook*. As children of God, we have to put in the same time with God. This will help us to connect with Him in an effort to network or connect with non-believers who will one day "request" to friend you or follow you. With this in mind, challenge yourself to work towards increasing your faith by putting your face in the book (the Bible).

Facebook Profile

- What's your FAITH status?
- Are your photos a representation of your faith? If God saw them would He like them? Make a comment? Share them?
- What Life Event can you share to help build someone's faith? (I.e. My math class was hard, but I believed God would help me to pass the class and I did.)



Word of the week...

faith (fāth)

belief and trust in and loyalty to God

Belief that does not rest on logical proof or material evidence