



**GUEST SPEAKER: PAUL FAUST**

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## Table One

**Core Principle:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(John 18:37)

**Doubt is a** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Proverbs 2:3-5)

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## Table Two

**Core Principle:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(John 15)

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(James 1:6)

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(Mary)

## HOW DO I RESPOND TO THE TRUTH ABOUT FAITH?

**1** \_\_\_\_\_ to discern what kind of conversation  
we're having.

**How does God respond to these 2 kinds of conversations?**

- Table 1 – The Exodus, Thomas, Habakkuk
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**What kind of conversation am I in right now?**

**What kind of conversation are my loved ones in right now?**

**2** \_\_\_\_\_ my hope in God's truth.

**Romans 15:4 (NIV)**

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**Hebrews 6:19-20 (NIV)**

We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf. He has become a high priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek.

**What truths of the Bible am I unsure about?**

**What am I willing to do about it?**

**Who in my life needs to hear that my hope is in truth, not wishful thinking?**

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## Table Two

**Core Principle: Connection**  
(John 15)

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(James 1:6)

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(Mary)

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**Grow by continually connecting with Jesus.**

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