



## WCF Prayer:

### Chapter 14 - Of Faith

Loving and gracious God,

We seek your forgiveness when we are tempted to credit our own wisdom or spiritual insight for believing in Jesus. We acknowledge that your Word teaches us something profoundly different.

We confess that even the faith with which your elect believe for salvation is purely from the work of the Spirit of Christ in our hearts. Therefore, we pause and give you thanks for the gift of faith itself. What a gracious God you are!

And we marvel that it is ordinarily your Spirit working through the Scriptures that invariably brings us to this saving faith. What a wise and gracious God you are, that in addition to this, you increase and strengthen our faith through our participation in the sacraments of the Lord's Supper, Baptism and through prayer.

Lord God, we thank you that by faith, we accept as true all that is revealed by you in the Scriptures. We praise you that through this faith, we know your Word to possess your authority as Lord Almighty. Therefore, we acknowledge it is only right that we respond faithfully to your voice. Please assist us in this:

- Bring us to obedience, Lord, when we read your commands.
- Help us take seriously your warnings, even causing us to shudder at their seriousness.
- Let us embrace with sure and certain anticipation, with joy, your promises for this life and the life to come.

Lord, let us never fail to accept, receive, and rest wholly upon Jesus Christ alone for our justification, for our sanctification, and for eternal life. We know all of this is only possible because of your wonderful Covenant of Grace, fulfilled by Jesus on our behalf. He is our Saviour. Help us never to forget this truth.

We recognize Lord, this faith can vary in degree. We are humbled and saddened that sometimes our faith is weak, but we rejoice in your grace to us when it is strong. We know that through the vicissitudes of life, our faith can be shaken. Yet, we praise you that you will never allow this faith to fail. You will always ensure its ultimate victory.

Thank you, Lord, that by your grace, we are growing increasingly toward the attainment of a full assurance through Christ. We praise you that through each small victory in which you help us persevere, this faith grows with increasing assurance and trust through Christ. Lord God, Jesus is the wonderful Author and Completer of our faith and we give you all glory and praise.

In the Name of our Saviour Jesus The Christ,

Amen.