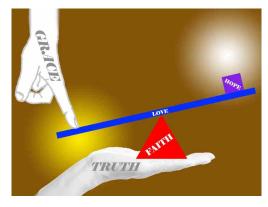
"And some believed the things which were spoken, and <u>some believed</u> not." Acts 28:24 KJV

By itself a fulcrum does no work. Unless solidly fixed, a fulcrum is worthless. It also needs a lever and power to push the lever or the load is not lifted. Hope is only lifted heavenward by the power of God's Grace and love on the fulcrum of faith firmly fixed on Truth! "Faith is the substance of things hoped for the evidence of things not seen." Hope soars because of the unseen God that lifts it. "For it is God which worketh in you; both to will and to do of His good pleasure." It is all of God. "Faith



cometh by hearing the Word of God." The Love of God levers the hope of man from the mire of sin and death into the glorious Light of Liberty! "We love Him because He first loved us. Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is liberty." Believers are entirely dependent upon the everlasting Love of God that cannot fail. "Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Their faith securely rests in the immutable absolute Truth of God's Word. õForever, O Lord, Thy Word is settled in heaven.ö Like a fulcrum, unless solidly fixed, faith becomes a worthless object, shifting with every "wind of doctrine." You only truly believe what you trust; what has experientially proven itself to you. For example: You don't weight test every chair before you sit in it. The reason we don't trust God's Word is because we haven't tested it. "This Book of the Law (Godøs Word) shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate (think) therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to ALL that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have GOOD success.ö Like the old hymn says, õThose who trust Him wholly, find Him wholly true!" God Himself said, "Prove me herewith!" You won't trust what you've never tested! Why do we test-drive cars? Did you know you liked ice cream before you tried it? Satan has us so busy doing it all ourselves we barely have time to learn God's Promises let alone test them! õTherefore take no thought, saying, *What shall we eat? ∅ or, What shall we drink? ∅ or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? ∅ for your heavenly Father* knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye FIRST the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and ALL these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.ö When did you last just trust God even though you still had other options? Is God a priority or a last resort? õRest your hope solidly on the Love of God!

> Some believe and some do not, The ones who trust the Truth they sought, Find on its Rock their faith doth rest, And God's own presence doth them bless! ~*CGP*

What unbelief stands between your faith and the absolutes of God's Word? What cloud of doubt blocks the light of liberty? Of what are you afraid? Fear is a reaction to the unknown! If you dongt believe God, you trust only self. Your faith has only sinking sand for a foundation! Why haven't you proved God? What do you fear?

"And we have known and believed the Love that God hath to us. God is Love; and he that dwelleth in Love dwelleth in God, and God in him. Herein is our Love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the Day of Judgment: because as He is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in Love; but perfect Love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in Love." 1 John 4:16-18 KJV