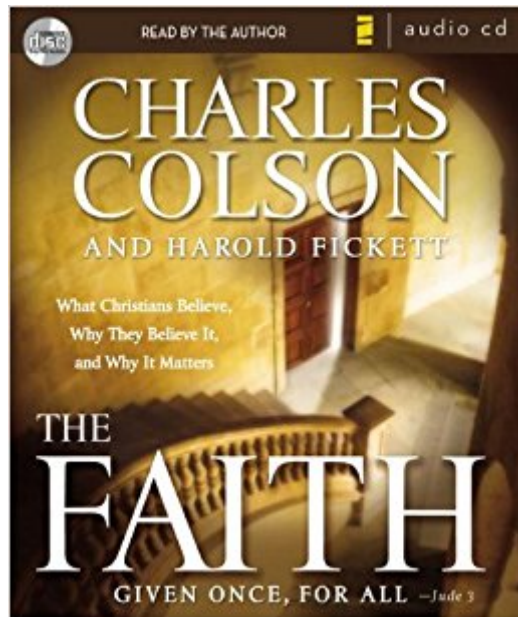


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"I am seeking truth, not therapy, a real challenge to the church." Chuck Colson In this powerful book, Chuck Colson and Harold Fickett identify Christianity's two great contemporary threats—anti-theism and radical Islam--and a third challenge: Christians who no longer understand their faith or the biblical truths upon which it is founded. There has never been a time, they say, when we needed more the strong, culture-building, life-affirming influence of biblical Christianity. This book reconnects Christians with the unshakable tenets of their faith—truths that offer a ground for faith in uncertain times, hope and joy for those who despair, and reconciliation for a world at war with God and itself.

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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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