

# ***UNHOLY CERTAINTY AND HOLY UNCERTAINTY***



***Faith is being sure of things hoped for,  
certain of things unseen.***

***Hebrews 11:1***

As the world keeps falling apart before our eyes, each of us is offered as a gift a flame that burns deep within.

## **The flame of faith.**

This flame is absolutely certain that God rules the universe.

That nothing happens without his permission.

That when God speaks, he speaks pure truth.

That God never lies.

That flame of faith tells us that Jesus is God manifesting himself on our level.

Speaking human language.

Speaking only truth.

That Jesus never lies.

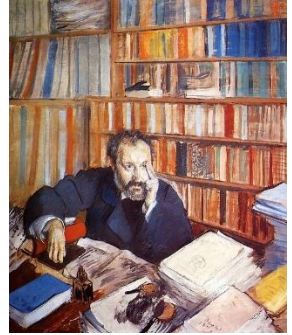
## **This faith is the only certainty we have.**

***Faith is being sure of things hoped for,  
certain of things unseen.***

Everything else is uncertain, and needs to be approached with holy uncertainty.

Holy uncertainty about the politician's promises.  
Holy uncertainty about our money in the bank.  
Holy uncertainty about tomorrow.  
Holy uncertainty about the way God does things.

***How unsearchable are his judgments,  
And his ways past finding out.  
Romans 11:33***

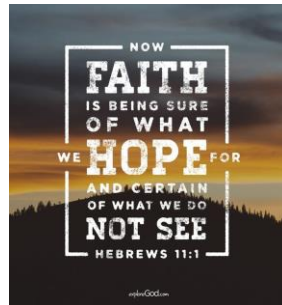


Yet we are tempted every day, every hour, to cling to an unholy certainty.

Certain about our own "rightness".  
Certain about our neighbor's "wrongness."  
Certain about our own wisdom.  
Certain about our innocence.  
Certain that we know how God does things.

In order to keep that flame of faith alive, we need to daily abandon our unholy certainty for a **holy uncertainty** about everything except God.

Uncertain about our own "rightness."  
Uncertain about our neighbor's "wrongness."  
Uncertain about the security of money.  
Uncertain about everything but God.



*Prayer: Dearest Lord, Master of all, we abandon ourselves to you. Quiet us until we fall before you, until the flame of faith within us is ignited into an inferno of awe and adoration. Help us to release our grip on the unholy certainty of our own feelings, our knowledge, our opinions and our judgements. Help us to daily grieve, repent of and abandon our sense of rightness, our sense of superiority and sense of self until our greatest joy is you, our only certainty is in you.... your absolute power, your pure truth, your stunning beauty and your perfect holiness. Amen.*

## **Maranatha Mirror Messages**

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WHO WAS SLAIN  
HAS BEGUN HIS REIGN