

15. “Why did you doubt?” Answer: Loss of faith rest. The lesson learned here is that the power of the Word of God is more powerful than the challenges you face.
16. The faith-rest drill becomes operational when the believer believes God will do what He promises in Scripture and then mixes it with faith.
17. The faith-rest drill maintains all the problem-solving devices on the FLOT Line. However far the believer has advanced in each of the 10 is how efficient the operation will perform when under assault from the Dark Side.
18. The ten problem-solving devices are invisible assets. Coordination of the ten, however, is dependent on the faith-rest technique.
19. The faith-rest drill is dependent on three spheres of function: (1) faith mechanics, (2) faith functions, and (3) faith executions.

Stage 1: Faith mechanics: Mixing the promises of God with faith.

Stage 2: Faith demands application of doctrinal rationales to experience: (a) essence of God rationale, (b) plan of God rationale, and (c) policy of God rationale.

Stage 3: Faith mechanics is faith execution which demands humility and avoidance of self-absorption. It demands professionalism and accurate comprehension and use of the problem-solving devices. It demands integrity, the spiritual strength to make the right choices and good decisions from a position of strength in application of faith rest.

Faith mechanics includes fear on the one hand and rest on the other hand.

“Fear” is intended in a good sense because it is in response to the idea of failing to execute the plan of God when dealing with challenges of the devil’s world.

Hebrews 4:1 - Therefore, let us fear [φοβέω (phobéō)], while a promise remains of entering His rest, any one of you may seem to have come short of it.

We are never commanded to “be afraid.” We should be afraid of failing to rely on the promises of God.

On the other hand, the Father’s attribute of happiness is the concept behind faith rest. It is manifest by tranquility of soul during the course of difficulties, testing, stress, and uncertainty.

Under the enabling power of the Holy Spirit, the believer is competent to resolve his own problems by accessing his inventory retained in the stream of consciousness of his soul.

The ability to make the right choices results in the rest that allows good decision-making in the process of problem solving.

No matter the level of the adversity, one’s orientation to the plan of God is magnified by the level of tranquility present in the soul which allows the Word of God to deal with stress in the soul.

When the believer fails in executing the faith-rest technique, he is handicapped by scar tissue in his stream of consciousness.

Scar tissue of the soul is the result of prolonged residence and function inside the cosmic systems.

Scar tissue of the soul is a one of several aspects of spiritual decline that results in the failure to execute the faith-rest drill.

Scripture warns of this decline. One example is provided by John in:

1 John 2:15 - Do not love the world [**the cosmic systems**] nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

Love of the world refers to the distractions that are common to the individual who allows them to result in being distracted from studying the Word, retaining its doctrines, and executing those pertinent to life's challenges.

John then gives a brief synopsis of what these distractions might have as their source:

1 John 2:16 - For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father; but is from the world.

This breakdown occurs over time and its development is analyzed by Paul in Ephesians.

Ephesians 4:17 - This I communicate and affirm together with the Lord, that you no longer continue walking [περιπατέω (*peripatéō*)] just as also the Gentiles keep walking, by means of the futility [ματαιότης (*mataiotēs*)] of their mind,

We have taken the word *peripatéō* and its synonyms to establish it as a mnemonic device, the words walk and walking to refer to a way of life.

The act of walking and the course followed on the trip is motivated by volitional decisions that guide the person from point *a* to Point *b*.

This led to the idea of memory traces in the brain that allow recall of specific ideas from soul inventory to direct one's way.

The overall study used synonyms for walking to identify the words way, path, or rut to symbolize the facilitation of biblical principles as reference points for development of one's behavior patterns, character traits, and lifestyle.

This culminated in the term "wheel-tracks," the ruts caused by the wheels of Conestoga wagons which were characterized as "wheel-tracks of righteousness" and "wheel-tracks of wickedness."

Paul is referring to the latter phrase throughout verses 19-20.

The reason given for the decline of doctrinal orientation as the resource for development of a biblical lifestyle is the reversionistic believer's loss of thought.

This loss — or absence of any spiritual growth — is the development of *mataíotēs* in the soul. This word is defined as “vanity, futility, and emptiness.”

In the context of a person's soul that has not acquired divine thought or, if having done so in the past, to have lost that thought due to distractions from the world or negative volition toward the truth.