

- - That should hold..

so people sometimes ask - I wish I had faith like yours..
especially in these times, people see faith as a refuge, a support mechanism -
if only I had your faith..

For sure, faith is important. Jesus mentions it a lot, people talk about it...
well, what is it?

people generally think of faith in 2 ways -
its a lucky find - some are born with it - oh look what I've found - faith! that'll come in useful
some people have it, some don't - nothing I can do about it, except keep looking
hanging about in the place that lightning struck, hoping it will strike again (ah - that's why people
come to church!)

or

its something you've got to work for - stretch that muscle, do your faith exercises every day..
come on now, dig deeper, try harder. And there are even some people who say to folk who are
poorly - if only you had more faith, God would heal you. Let me tell you I think there's a circle of
hell reserved for those evil heretic blasphemers who say that.

So

But look - faith is an assumption, a hypotheses - something you put into practice and see if it
works. You can't learn to swim on dry land, you can't have faith unless its tested..
some people want to do all the calculation and the study until they can be absolutely certain, but
sometimes you just have to try it.

You see faith is a commitment - trusting yourself - will this hold? I think it will..

so what I think people mean when they say - I wish I had your faith is really - I wish I could be
brave enough, or bold enough to just commit...

and to you I say - the bible says - if someone lacks faith, they should asks God, who will give it to
them...

so that's a great place to start - pray to this god you want to believe in, who you think or hope
might be there, and ask him.. after all, that would be a huge act of faith in itself!!