RELEASING YOUR FAITH: Part 1 - Has Faith Come?

Ouestions:

- How Does Faith Work?
- How Do I Release My Faith?
- How Come God Doesn't Answer My Prayers?
- What is the Difference Between Believing God and Faith
- Is Believing In God and Having Faith the Same Thing?

Scripture Reference:

"For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." [Romans 10:10 KJV]

A Common Mistake:

One of the most popular catch-phrases among Christians, especially those in Charismatic circles, is the phrase: "*I'm believing God*". What is usually meant is that the individual is believing God for something: Healing, provision, deliverance, a new job, a better home, and so forth.

Yet, if we were to take a survey of those that actually RECEIVED the thing(s) that they were believing God for we would discover fairly quickly that the majority of people never really <u>see</u> the manifestation of *what* they believed for. More often than not it is a hit-or-miss situation where *sometimes* it comes, and more often than not it doesn't.

Worse yet, the average individual never comes to learn why it appeared this time but didn't the next time.

The truth is that most Christians don't realize that 'belief in God' is <u>NOT</u> the same thing as FAITH. Just because we *HAVE* faith, does not mean that our faith is actually being *used*. In other words, our faith is ACTIVE and operating, being RELEASED so that it does the job it is *designed* to do.

The Purpose of Faith:

Faith is a *spiritual* FORCE that is given to men, and is the means whereby we are able to *receive* all the blessing of God. All that there is, began and begins in the *Spirit*.

"Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear." [Hebrews 11:3]

Everything begins in the spirit realm, including *every* blessing of God: Starting with salvation itself and includes healing, provision, deliverance, and everything else. Faith is the spiritual *force* that takes what is in the spirit realm and causes it to manifest in the *physical* realm. It is <u>not</u> enough to believe that these things exist in the spirit realm, we must actually *use* our faith to bring them OUT of the spirit in into our lives here: On Earth. In other words, it is not enough to HAVE faith, we must also *USE* that faith if we are to have results.

"Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand..." [Romans 5:1-2]

According to Eph 1:3, Hebrews 11;1 and 1John 4:17 ALL of the promised blessings of God are available to us right *NOW* (on earth). And, it is thru the *active* operation of our faith that we OBTAIN these blessings. Faith must be RELEASED if we are to access the blessing.

Having is Not Using:

Do you have a kitchen stove? If you do, then you have realized that USING your kitchen stove when you need to cook or warm some food up is a great tool. Yet, imagine if you never USED your kitchen stove. What good would it be to you? Your food would remain cold and uncooked even though You HAVE a kitchen stove.

Same With Faith:

HAVING faith is of no use to us if we don't *USE* our faith! Yet, most Christians don't understand the difference, and so they never allow their faith to be RELEASED, to become 'operational'. The result is a kind of hit-or-miss life where one never really knows whether or not what they are *'believing God for'* will manifest -and if so: When will it manifest?

Releasing Your Faith:

Just as with receiving our *salvation*, it was <u>not</u> enough to *'believe IN God'*. We actually had to *DO* something with what we believed about salvation in order to *receive* the promised blessing of salvation. What did we do? We CONFESSED our beliefs, we *SPOKE* out what we believed and with our WORDS we confirmed our belief in salvation thru Christ and then ACTED in accordance with what we believed.

These corresponding actions is HOW our faith was RELEASED:

Just as Romans 10:10 states, we believed in our heart the promised blessing of salvation thru Christ, and then SPOKE (Confessed with our mouth) our beliefs. Those words and actions is how our *belief* became FAITH. Faith was *released* and began to operate. And when our faith began to *operate* we RECEIVED the promise of salvation. It became a reality in our life.

Learn to Release Your Faith:

This powerful message will teach you the difference between *HAVING* faith and *USING* faith. I encourage you to listen to this message over and over again until the truth of the scriptures regarding this subject sink deep into your heart and you begin to operate gain a deeper understanding of how you can release your faith and access ALL of the blessings that the Lord has waiting for you.

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