

Message 1: PRONOUNCED FAITH THAT WORKS

Launching Text: 2-Cor 4:13 We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore I have spoken; we also believe, and therefore (we) speak.

Heb 11:1 Now faith is the substance (the assurance, confirmation, reality, title deed, the knowing, believing, and and trust) of things hoped for (hope is the future and the ability to see or have vision of what can be possessed), the evidence (the revelation, reality & possession) of things not seen.

Preaching Text: Heb 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him (God); For he that cometh to God must believe that He is and is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.

INTRO: God wants His children to believe Him in all things & believe Him for all things. He wants His children's faith to work. Jesus chastised the disciples because of little faith or no faith.

Luke 8:25 ...where is your faith? (Jesus asleep in boat—disciples wake Him to still the storm)

Mat 14:31 Jesus caught Peter and said O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?

Jesus gave a great principle for living in His Word in

Mat 9:29 (with 2 blind men wanting to be healed)...according to your faith be it unto you. (healed!)

God wants us to have pronounced, stubborn, working faith. Faith that will believe God for everything and believe God in anything!

1. FAITH WORKS BY OUR LIPS

2-Cor 4:13 We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore

I have spoken; we also believe, and therefore (we) speak.

Mark 11:22-24 ...have faith in God. For whosoever shall say unto this mountain, be thou removed and be thou cast into the sea, and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe those things which he saith shall come to pass, he shall have whatsoever he saith. Therefore what things soever you desire when you pray, believe that you receive them and you shall have them.

Deut 30:19 I (God says) I call heaven & earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life & death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life that both thou and thy seed may live:

Proverbs 18:21 Death & life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it (death or life) shall eat the fruit thereof.

2. FAITH WORKS BY OUR LOVE

GAL 5:6 For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth anything, nor un-circumcision: but faith which works by love.

Everything we get from God comes by desire, obedience, favor & faith. Favor=God's part & rest is up to us

1. PRONOUNCED FAITH THAT WORKS BY A POSSESSED FAITH Heb 11:1 But without faith

Mark 11:22have faith in God (not outside of God) (Take possession of it)

1. Possess Faith By The Word

Rom 10:17 Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the Word of God.

2. Possess Faith By The War

1-Tim 6:12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art called, and hast Professed a good profession before many witnesses.

Jude v20 But ye beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith praying in the Holy Ghost.

3. Possess Faith By the Work

James 2:20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead.

2. PRONOUNCED FAITH THAT WORKS BY A PURE FAITH Heb 11:1for he that cometh to God...

Isa 59:2 But you iniquities have separated between you and your God and your sins have hid his face from you that He will not hear.

Love God so much that our faith works by love and purity. Sin corrupts faith.

Much is said in the Word about godliness & purity Mat 5:8 Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God.

1-Tim 4:7exercise thyself rather unto godliness.

1-Tim 4:8but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of life that now is and of that which is To come.

Ps 24:3-5 Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? Or who shall stand in His holy place? He that hath clean Hands and a pure heart who hath not lifted up his sould unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. He shall receive The blessing of the Lord.

Ps 1:1 Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

(purity) i-John 2:15 Love not the world neither the things that are in the world.. If any man love the world The Love of the Father is not in him

1. Don't Listen to the ungodly

Mark 4:23-24 If any man have ears to hear, let him hear. V24 And He said unto them, Take heed what you hear: with what measure you mete, it shall be measured to you.....

2. Don't Look at the unholy

Prov 4:25-27 Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee. Ponder the paths Of your feet and let all thy ways be established. Turn not to the right hand nor the left: remove thy foot From evil.

3. Don't Stand with sinners

Prov 15:9 The way of the wicked (sinners) is an abomination to the Lord—but he that loveth Him followeth after righteousness.

4. Don't Sit with hypocrites

Prov 24:1-2 Be not thou envious against evil men, neither desire to be with them. V2 For their heart studieth destruction, and their lips talk of mischief.

5. Don't Walk in sinfulness

1. By Ungodly Talk Prov 4:24 Put away from thee a forward mouth, and perverse lips put far from thee.

2. By Ungodly Gawk Prov 4:25 Let thine eyes look right on, & let thine eyelids look straight before thee.

3. By Ungodly Walk Prov 4:26-27 Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established.

turn not to the right hand nor to the left: remove thy foot from evil.

(purity) 2-Cor 6:17 Wherefore come out from among them (the ungodly), and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean: and I will receive you.

3. PRONOUNCED FAITH THAT WORKS BY A PASSIONATE FAITH Heb 11:1 ...he that cometh to God must believe that He is and to believe is to have a passion for God and a passion for the Word of God
Ps 1:2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in His law doth he meditate day and night.

The main way faith is produced is by the Word---Rom 10:17

(Specific) 2-Tim 2:15 Study (the Word) to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth.

NO WORD--- NO FAITH, LITTLE WORD---LITTLE FAITH, MUCH WORD---MUCH FAITH!

1. Delight in the Word

Job 23:12 Neither have I gone back from the commandment of His lips; I have esteemed the words of His mouth more than my necessary food.

Ps 37:4 Delight thyself also in the Lord (and His Words) and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

2. Digest the Word

Jer 15:16 Thy Words were found and I did eat them & thy Word was unto me the joy & rejoicing of my heart

1. Let the Word Guide You

Ps 119:105 Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

2. Let the Word Guard You

Ps 119:11 Thy Word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against you.

3. Let the Word Gird You

Ps 119:165 Great peace have they which love thy law and nothing shall offend them.

4. Let the Word Grant You

2-Cor 1:20 For all the promises of God in Him are yea, and in Him Amen (let it be so), unto the glory of God by us,

Num 23:19 God is not a man that He should lie; neither the son of man that He should repent: hath He said, and shall He not do it? Or hath He spoken, and shall He not make it good?

3. Declare the Word

Mark 11:23 For verily I say unto you, that whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass, he shall have whatsoever he saith.

1. Declare the Word to Dictate your Convictions

Rom 10:8 But what saith it (the Word)? The Word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth and in thy heart: that is, the Word of faith, which we preach (say what you believe and believe what you say)

2. Declare the Word to Decide your Desires

Ps 21:2 Thou (O Lord) hast given him his heart's desire, and hast not withholden the request of his lips. Selah.

3. Declare the Word to Direct your Way

Ps 37:23 The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord and he delighteth in his way.

4. Declare the Word to Dismantle your Enemies

Isa 54:17 No weapon formed against you shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgement thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord.

5. Declare the Word to Dispel your Needs

Mark 11:24 Therefore I say unto you, What things soever you desire, when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you shall have them.

4. PRONOUNCED FAITH THAT WORKS BY A POWERFUL FAITH Heb 11:1....(God) is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.

Ps 1:3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season, his leaf also shall not wither, and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

Daniel 11:32 And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall He (God) corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits.

1. Power To Discern

1-John 4:1 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they be of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

2. Power To Declare & Demand

(After you get to know God and are living in peace, receiving His Word, putting His Word in your mouth, Putting sin far from you, delighting in God, walking in His presence, making your prayers to God, and Paying your vows to God & man), THEN

Job 22:28 Thou shalt decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon Thy ways.

3. Power To Do

Mat 16:20 ...for verily I say unto you, If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you shall say unto this Mountain, Remove hence to yonder place and it shall remove and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

Phil 4:13 I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me.

Closing

Ps 1:4-5 The ungodly are not so, but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away. Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous, but the way of the ungodly shall perish.