NEW CREATION LIFE OF FAITH

The Just Shall Live by Faith

This year has been about resetting and going back to God's original plan. And for the last few months, we have been focusing on something that is **vital to life** as a believer. Faith...

Hebrews 10:38

...the just shall live by faith

Habakkuk 2:4

...the just shall live by faith

Galatians 3:11 KJV

the just shall live by faith." (24/7/365)

Romans 1:17 KJV

as it is written, the **just** (the righteous) shall live by faith.

Hebrews 11:6a

"And it is impossible to please God without faith.

• Living by faith is not an option but is a requirement for believers.

Faith simplified is *believing* <u>and</u> acting on the word of God. Regardless of what things look like or feel like we choose to believe and act on the word of God.

GOD IS NOT REQUIRING US DO ANYTHING HE DID NOT DO

Genesis 1:1-3a NLT

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was formless and empty, and darkness covered the deep waters. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters. **Then** God said, "Let there be light," and there was light...

- In the midst of darkness, God spoke those things that be not as though they were.
- He responded to the darkness with faith filled words and because he expected (believed) it to be just like he said, and it happened

Hebrews 11:3

By faith we understand that the entire universe was formed at God's command, that what we now see did not come from anything that can be seen.

Hebrews 11 (the book of faith examples)

Believing alone won't do it; we have to put action to it.

(As believers) We **choose to do what's required.** We choose to believe the word even when our senses and/or circumstances are saying something different from the word.

Sarah had to choose to believe God

Hebrews 11:11 TLB

Sarah, too, had faith, and because of this she was able to become a mother in spite of her old age, for she **realized** that God, who gave her his promise, would certainly do what he said.

A lifestyle of faith is not moved by what we see, hear, feel & think if they contradict what the word says.

2 Corinthians 5:7

For we walk by faith and not by sight

The word says you are healed when you have pain in your body or you have a negative report from the doctor.

1 Peter 2:24 NLT

By his wounds you are healed.

The question is, what voice are you going to believe? The voice of your body or the voice of the word?

• Declare the word louder than the screaming voice of your body's pain

3 FAITH FACTS ABOUT THE WORD

1. The Word of God Is the Foundation of Faith

POWER POINT -you must know what the word says about your situation to have faith in God

2. Faith Comes by Hearing the Word of God

Romans 10:17 NKJV

So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

- Hearing and hearing
- What we continuously hear, we will have faith for
- We should be intentional about consistently hearing the word of God
- Out the abundance of your heart, your mouth will speak (Luke 6:45)
- Starve your doubts and feed your faith by hearing the word of God (24/7/365)

2 Corinthians 5:7

For we walk by faith and not by sight

Amos. 3:3

"Can two people walk together without agreeing on the direction?"

I choose to agree with God

Hebrews 11:6

"And it is impossible to **please** God without faith.

3. God Will Perform His Word

Jeremiah 1:12 AMPC

I am alert and active, watching over MY WORD TO PERFORM IT.

3 BASIC STEPS TO A LIFESTYLE OF FAITH

- 1. Know what God says in his word about your situation
- 2. Believe that word- you may not understand it or it my not make sense to you. It didn't make sense to Mary & Sarah, but they chose to believe the word
- 3. Act on the word by confessing that word & taking faith action steps that agree with what you believe.

I Believe I Am Healed According to The Word.

I Believe I Am Forgiven According to the Word

I Believe I Am Wealthy According to the Word

I Believe I Am Accepted by God According to the Word

I Believe I Am Blessed According to the Word

A lifestyle of faith believes the word, confesses, & acts on the word and receive the promise in reality

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. How Do You Define Faith?
- 2. What Is the Foundation of Faith?

3.	When Was a Time You Had to Purpose to Believe the Word When It Looked Like or Felt Like the Word Wasn't Being Fulfilled in Your Life?