

Week 2 Surprising Faith

Sermon Notes

Hebrews 11:1-3

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good testimony. **By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God**, so that the things which are seen were made of things which are visible.

Faith in God's word

- Believing God created from nothing is a fact that requires a spiritual perception.
- Believing this puts a premium on the authority of God's Word.
- God formed the universe with simple commands.
- Do you take God at His Word?

Psalm 107:20

He sent His word and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions

Faith is simple and surprising.

Read Luke 7:1-10

The centurion believed in the Authority of Jesus.

The centurion had faith in the Command of Jesus.

Faith is not material. Faith is spiritual.

Faith is not complex. Faith is simple.

Faith that surprises Jesus is a faith that is dependent on His word and founded on His authority.

Questions to Consider

What are some words from God that stick out to you?

How does God's word frame your faith?

Think of a time when you faced something difficult or things were disrupted in your life. Give an example of how you leaned on God's word.

Why does Jesus' authority matter in our lives?

What makes the Centurion's faith different?

Faith is not material, it's spiritual. Why does our flesh crave a material/physical experience to validate our faith?

How can you maintain a simple faith?

Prayer Requests

Take prayer requests and pray for one another.