

FAITH BASICS 101 – Session 6 – Faith Speaks

Learning How to Put Your Faith to Work

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I. Review

- A. **Why Faith?** Faith is the means by which we receive from God
- B. **The Function of Faith** – Faith receives what God has already provided.
- C. **How to Receive by Faith** – The Process of Using Faith to Receive
- D. **The Law of Faith** – If you work the principles/laws that govern faith, you will always get the results of faith.
- E. **Faith Sees – Seeing through the eyes of faith**

II. Faith Speaks

- A. **Romans 10:6-10 (KJV)** – ⁶*But the righteousness which is of **faith speaketh** on this wise, Say not in thine heart, Who shall ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down from above:)* ⁷*Or, Who shall descend into the deep? (that is, to bring up Christ again from the dead.)* ⁸*But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, **the word of faith**, which we preach;* ⁹***That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the LORD Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.*** ¹⁰*For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation*

1. Righteousness received by faith must speak – because faith MUST speak
2. Verse 8 – *The Word of Faith – Faith has words – what faith speaks*
3. Verse 9 – *If thou shalt confess = Confess = say the same thing that God says*
4. Verse 10 – *We believe with our heart and confess with our mouth to appropriate God's gift of salvation to ourselves.*
5. The process by which faith works includes BELIEVING and SPEAKING
6. Faith is Believing and Speaking.

B. Scriptures on faith using this definition

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Hebrews 11:1 (KJV) – *Now faith (Believing and Speaking) is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.*

Hebrews 11:6 (KJV) – *But without faith (Believing and Speaking) it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.*

1 John 5:4 (KJV) – *For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith (Believing and Speaking)*

Ephesians 2:8 (KJV) – *For by grace are ye saved through faith; (Believing and Speaking); and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:*

- Because Believing and Speaking are key components both must be present for us to walk in biblical faith.
- You must Believe
- You must Speak

C. Biblical Confession/Profession

1. Definition of Confession –
 - to agree with God
 - to say the same thing as God
2. Faith receives by believing and confessing the covenant promises of God.
3. We appropriate by faith the promises of God by;
 - i. Agreeing with God by saying what He says – His words are true
 - ii. Disagreeing with the devil – His words are lies
 - iii. Be careful what you hear
 - iv. God's Words build faith
 - v. Satan's Words build fear, doubt and unbelief

D. Whatever we believe, we will speak!

1. The words in our mouth are an accurate gauge for our faith

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Matthew 12:34 (KJV) – *O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.*

Matthew 12:34 (NIV) – For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of

Matthew 12:34 (NLT) – For whatever is in your heart determines what you say

Matthew 12:34 (NASB) – For the mouth speaks out of that which fills the heart

2. Listen to your words!
 - a. If words of faith/words that agree with God proceed from your mouth in the hour of pressure – Faith is at work
 - b. If words of doubt/fear proceed from your mouth in the hour of pressure – unbelief is at work – Faith is not!

3. **2 Corinthians 4:13 (KJV)** – *We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak;*
 - a. This is an O.T. quote – Paul says we have the same spirit of faith that those of the old testament had when they believed and spoke
 - i. Example – David – spoke Goliaths death before he ever used the sling
 - ii. Abraham spoke that he and Isaac would return from the mount of sacrifice before he ever ascended the mountain
 - iii. Believing and Speaking has always been associated with faith.
 - b. Paul affirms that we believe and then we speak!
 - c. Faith MUST move from the heart to the mouth
 - i. Believing takes place within
 - ii. Speaking proceeds from within to without
 - iii. Words restricted to within produce only within
 - iv. Words released from within to without – will impact those things around us = (Mountains, storms, sickness, circumstances,)

E. Faith Words set things into motion

F. Faith Words change the atmosphere around you

- *Just try reading the Charles Capps confessions aloud*

G. Other scriptures to consider

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Joel 3:10 (KJV) – *Beat your plowshares into swords and your pruning hooks into spears: let the weak say, I am strong.*

HEB - Say – Think – Command – To Avouch – To Appoint – To suppose

Psalm 34:1 (KJV) – *A Psalm of David, when he changed his behaviour before Abimelech; who drove him away, and he departed. I will always bless the LORD: His praise shall continually be in my mouth*

Psalm 27:1 (KJV) – *A Psalm of David. The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?*

Revelation 12:11 (KJV) – *And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death*

Titus 3:8 (KJV) – *This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men.*

Psalm 91:2 (KJV) – *I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.*