ALL IS WELL

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...the Shunamite woman received a miracle son, he died, she told the husband all is well...she got on a donkey and rode to the man of God...

2 Kings 4:26 ESV Run at once to meet her & say to her, 'Is all well w/ you? Is all well w/ your husband? Is all well w/ the child?" She answered. "All is well."

Most of us, most of the time, think & feel all is not well...

We think doubt, worry, anxiety, stress, anger, condemnation, guilt, pain, pressure, sickness, lazy, selfish, hopeless, helpless, weak, timid, **fear**All of this is the opposite of the faith life...

Hebrews 11:6 TPT And w/out *faith* living w/in us it would be impossible to please God. For we come to God in *faith* knowing that He's real & that He rewards the *faith* of those who passionately seek Him.

Dependent trust in God, or faith, will accomplish humanly impossible things through our totally dependent faith prayers.

Mark 11:22b ...Have *faith* in God. 23 I tell you the truth, you can say to this mountain, 'May you be lifted up & thrown into the sea,' & it will happen. But you must **really believe it** will happen & have no doubt in your heart. (NKJV he who believes that those things he says will be done; he will have whatever he says) 24 I tell you; you can pray for anything, & if you believe that you've received it, it will be yours.

We are absolutely confident in God's readiness to respond to our faith.

We believe that we will have what we ask in prayer when we pray for God's will to be done; God will accomplish His will.

Let's not doubt God's willingness to do what we ask; as long as we ask & pray according to God's Word & God's will.

The Holy Spirit in us, is our source for the power of faith.

2 Corinthians 5:7 NKJV We walk by faith, not by sight.

We can't receive God's provision (including salvation) apart from faith.

Satan constantly challenges the promises of God w/doubt. He's always trying to convince us that God's Word doesn't work, that faith in Jesus doesn't work, & His sacrifice on the cross wasn't enough. Satan challenges the faith-filled promises of the Word w/unbelief-filled lies.

All that Jesus has provided for us, must be received by faith.

Hebrews 11:1 AMP Now faith is the assurance (title deed, confirmation) of things hoped for (divinely guaranteed), & the evidence, the proof of things not seen [the conviction of their reality—faith comprehends as fact what cannot be experienced by the physical senses].

By acting in faith on the Word, you can expect the favor, grace, peace, provision, abundance of God in your life.

1 John 5:4 Every child of God defeats this evil world; & we achieve this victory through our *faith*. 5 And who can win this battle against the world? Only those who *believe* that Jesus is the Son of God.

Our faith is in Jesus. We win. We overcome. We're victorious.

Mark 5:25 A woman in the crowd had suffered for 12 years w/ constant bleeding. 26 She'd suffered a great deal from many doctors, over the years she'd spent everything she had to pay them, but she had gotten no better. In fact, she'd gotten worse. 27 She'd heard about Jesus, so she came up behind Him through the crowd & touched His robe. 28 She thought to herself, "If I can just touch His robe, I'll be healed." 29 Immediately the bleeding stopped, she could feel in her body that she'd been healed of her terrible condition.

(When you imagine the worst, you hinder God's best. But when you imagine things hoped for, you release the power of faith)

30 Jesus realized at once that healing power had gone out from Him, He turned around in the crowd & asked, "Who touched My robe?" 31 His disciples said to Him, "Look at this crowd pressing around you. How can you ask, 'Who touched me?" 32 But He kept on looking around to see who'd done it. 33 Then the frightened woman, trembling at the realization of what had happened to her, came & fell to her knees in front of Him & told Him what she'd done. 34 He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace. Your suffering is over."

Jesus healed her in response to her faith!

This is Mark's call for all of us to have radical faith!!!

1 Peter 5:7 Give all your worries & cares to God for He cares about you. 8 Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour. 9 Stand firm against him & be strong in your *faith*... (AMP be *firm* in faith)

"The proof of God isn't the absence of a storm."
The proof of God is His presence in the midst of your storm."

Luke 17:12 As He entered a village there, ten lepers stood at a distance, 13 crying out, "Jesus, Master have <u>mercy</u> on us!" 14 He looked at them & said, "<u>Go</u> show yourselves to the priests." & <u>as they went</u>, they were cleansed of their leprosy. 15 One of them, when he saw that he was healed, came back to Jesus, shouting, "Praise God!" 16 He fell to the ground at Jesus' feet, thanking Him for what He'd done. This man was a Samaritan. 17 Jesus asked, "Didn't I heal 10 men? Where are the other 9? 18 Has no one returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" 19 Jesus said to the man "Stand up & go. <u>Your faith has healed you.</u>

As Holy Spirit filled Jesus followers, our faith is that our requests will come to pass; because it is God's will.

Mark 10:46b ...as Jesus & His disciples left town, a large crowd followed Him. A blind beggar named Bartimaeus was sitting beside the road 47 When "Bart" heard that Jesus was nearby, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have *mercy* on me!" 48 "Be quiet!" many of the people yelled at him. But he only shouted louder, "Son of David, have *mercy* on me!" 49 When Jesus heard him, He stopped & said, "Tell him to come here." So they called the blind man. "Cheer up," they said. "Come on, He's calling you!" 50 Bart threw aside his coat, jumped up & came to Jesus. 51 "What do you want Me to do for you?" Jesus asked. "My rabbi," the blind man said, "I want to see!" 52 Jesus said to him, "Go, for *your faith has healed you.*" Instantly the man could see & he followed Jesus down the road.

Faith is produced by the Word of God being fed down into our spirits, deep into our hearts, not just our head.

Faith is developed by meditating in God's Word & acting on that Word. Meditating in the Word causes the capacity for faith to increase.

Romans 10:17 AMP So faith *comes* from hearing what is told, & what is heard *comes* by the preaching of the message concerning Christ.

Faith comes by hearing the Word of God. Fear comes by hearing the word of the world & the lies of satan.

Jude 20 NKJV But you beloved, <u>building yourselves up</u> on your most holy *faith*, praying in the Holy Spirit