

Characteristics of True Believing V3Pt4
Get Your Hopes Up!
Sunday, February 26, 2023

- I. Being Fully Persuaded
 - A. How to Be Fully Persuaded
 1. (Rom. 4:17-21 KJV) Abraham was fully persuaded.
 - a. Being fully persuaded is believing God with all your heart despite contrary physical evidence.
 2. What's involved with being fully persuaded?
 - #1. Know the promise of God for your situation.
 - #2. Embrace the promise of God with all your heart.
 - #3. Don't consider anything contrary to the promise of God.
 - B. Embrace the Promise of God with All Your Heart
 1. (Prov. 3:5-8) Trust in the Lord with ALL your heart!
 - a. (Jas. 1:5-8) double-minded
 - (Jas. 4:8) A purified heart is the remedy for double-mindedness!
 - (1 Pet. 1:22 KJV) Obeying the truth is making the decision and choice to believe God.
 - C. Get Your Hopes Up!
 1. (Rom. 4:18 AMP) All reason for human hope being gone Abraham hoped on in faith because of God's promise.
 - a. (Heb. 11:1) Faith makes substance of things HOPED. Faith needs hope to work: No hope, no faith!
 - b. Hope (*elpis*) joyful, confident expectation of good; the desire, the dream, the vision of the future; the framework on which faith is built; the motivating force of faith. Hope is looking forward to a desired thing with some degree of expectancy.
 - (Rom. 15:4) Hope comes from the Scriptures.
 - (1 Cor. 13:13) faith, hope and love
 - (Gal. 5:6 KJV) faith works by love
 - (Rom. 5:1-5) the process of hope!