

The Faith of God

Part 5

“Full of Faith”

Sunday, February 10, 2019

It's not enough that *we believe*; we must believe the right thing about the right One. A.W. Tozer

REF - 2 Cor 4:13 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; **Spirit of Faith = 1. Believing. 2. Speaking**

Job 22:28 (KJV) *Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways.*

Basics we have talked about so far

Faith pleases God

Faith is rooted in truth- “If you are a liar faith won’t work”

Faith comes by hearing – “comes from God” Everyman!

Faith is of the heart and mouth – Rom 10:9 “for with the heart”

True faith speaks- “confession” “Same - word”

Faith “receives” – Receives means to- “take” to seize, to possess to oneself.

Today:

(T) 2 Timothy 1:5 *When I call to remembrance the ***unfeigned faith** that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also. KJV*

Def: Feigned - Pretend, - **fake or phony faith**

Def: “Unfeigned” – true, genuine, authentic, unhypocritical,

So, it stands to reason if there is a genuine faith than there must be a “ungenuine” faith. There is that which is called faith but it's not genuine Bible faith!!!

2 Cor 13:5

Someone might say "God told me to this" - and they supposedly were stepping out "in Faith" and it ended badly" they supposedly were "in faith" This kind of talk brings reproach on the true message of faith. **!God cannot fail, and His word cannot fail, So, real faith in God is not going to fail, Real faith in His word will not fail.**

2 Cor 13: 5 *Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; **prove your own selves.** Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?*

NIV *5 Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you-unless, of course, you fail the test?*

The Word tells us to judge, examine ourselves, to test ourselves to see if we are truly in faith. We need to check ourselves out and ask ourselves "Am I truly in faith" Why?- *it's easy to think that we are when we really haven't heard from the Lord.*

People rattle off all the time "oh I'm believing for" – "Based on what" - *how can you?* They pick something out of the air with NO basis for what they are claiming to be in faith about.

Our believing, our faith is based upon the most solid thing that exist! THE ETERNAL WORD OF GOD. – HAVE YOU HEARD?

I.E. -\$20.00? Why did you look?

On what basis did you act? Did any of you see me place it there?

How many of you would desire that I do again?

Can you look now in faith? Why NOT?

Did I say I placed \$20.00 on seat in here like I did last week?- NO.

Can you have genuine faith for \$20 dollars? WHY NOT?

Desire is not faith, wanting something is not faith. Crying and carrying on, on, is not faith. We need to hear from the Master on some things before we claim we have faith! Otherwise it's just "**Empty talk**" - "**Big Talk**"

BIG Talk:

Judg 9:28 And **Gaal** the son of Ebed said, Who is Abimelech, (Leader) and who is Shechem, that we should serve him? is not he the son of Jerubbaal? and Zebul his officer? serve the men of Hamor the father of Shechem: for "why should we serve him?" **29** "And would to God this people were under my hand!" "then would I remove Abimelech. And he said to Abimelech, Increase thine army, and come out." **30** And when Zebul the ruler of the city heard the words of Gaal the son of Ebed, his anger was kindled.

38 Then said Zebul unto him, **Where is now thy mouth,** wherewith thou saidst, Who is Abimelech, that we should serve him? is not this the people that thou hast despised? go out, I pray now, and fight with them.

NIV 38 Then Zebul said to him, "**Where is your big talk now,** you who said, 'Who is Abimelech that we should be subject to him?' Aren't these the men you ridiculed? Go out and fight them!"

MSG 38 Zebul said, "**Where is that big mouth of yours now?** You who said, 'And who is Abimelech that we should take orders from him?' Well, there he is with the troops you ridiculed. Here's your chance. Fight away!"

This is what I would call putting confidence in men - putting confidence in "someone's big talk" it's not genuine it's "Fake faith" - talk a big talk -Not real faith, in truth this is about **pride** – "Spiritual pride" - everybody has to deal with pride.

St: One of the attributes or fruits of pride is pride wants to, or likes to impress people.

That's how stories get bigger and bigger - (Fish stories)

Exaggerating to impress you tell how great things were or with how bad things were. "you think your operation was something oh let me tell you" "You think that's bad, hold my beer"

Proverbs 16:23 The **heart** of the wise teacheth his **mouth**, and addeth learning to his lips

Darby - The heart of the wise maketh his mouth intelligent, and upon his lips increaseth learning.

Young's Literal Translation *The heart of the wise causeth his mouth to act wisely, And by his lips he increaseth learning,*

Heart Teaches Mouth

“My Spirit man controls what comes out of my mouth!”

Ever had your mouth say what your flesh wanted?

Ever had a carnal mouth?

Say whatever you “feel”

To be a person of faith you have to master your mouth!

Your heart – is the Born-again spirit of the living God who has given you a new birth

This is the very life force of God!

You are eternal, you are connected to God through your Spirit!

Romans 8:16 *The Spirit itself (Himself) beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:*

Galatians 5:16 *This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.*

When we “walk in the Spirit” we **think and act** differently than other people in the same situations of our life.

We are Heart/spirit conscious- God’s Spirit is leading and guiding us.

Walking in the Spirit takes continual practice.

Occasionally you can take a misstep in your Christian walk.

Just being a believer, being a member of a church, will not cause you to “walk in the spirit” You have to make a deliberate choice.

When we learn to walk in the Spirit, talk in the spirit, live in the spirit – this solves our own inner conflicts as well as outer conflicts with other people.

¹⁶ This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. ¹⁸ But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

17: TPT For yourself - life craves the things that offend the Holy Spirit and hinder him from living free within you! And the Holy Spirit's intense cravings hinder your old self - life from dominating you! So then, the two incompatible and conflicting forces within you are your self - life of the flesh and the new creation life of the Spirit.

Let's look at 2 Situations where we can see True Bible Faith.

Acts 6:1-8, 54-60 (KJV) And in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministration. ² Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables. ³ Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. ⁴ But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word. ⁵ And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, **a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost**, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch: ⁶ Whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid their hands on them. ⁷ And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith. ⁸ And Stephen, **full of faith and power**, did great wonders and miracles among the people.

Don't you think it would be unfair of the scriptures to tell. Us a man is "full of faith" and show us how?

Acts 7: ⁵⁴ When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with their teeth. ⁵⁵ But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God, ⁵⁶ And said, **Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God.** ⁵⁷ Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord,

*58 And cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul. 59 And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, **Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.** 60 And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, **Lord, lay not this sin to their charge.** And when he had said this, he fell asleep.*

Stephen was more spirit conscious than he was body conscious. He is being stoned and rather than hooking his mouth up to his flesh or his mind – He spoke from his heart!

Where did Stephen learn to do this?
Why was walking the spirit so important?

This, this sounds very familiar....

Luke 23: 33-46 *33 And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left. 34 Then said Jesus, **Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.** And they parted his raiment, and cast lots. 35 And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided him, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God. 36 And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar, 37 And saying, If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself. 38 And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, **THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.** 39 And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us. 40 But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? 41 And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss. 42 And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. 43 And Jesus said unto him, **Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in paradise.** 44 And it was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. 45 And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst. 46 And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, **Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit:** and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.*

FULL OF FAITH! -SPEAKING FROM OUR BORN AGAIN HEARTS!

The Life of faith is a life of the Spirit:

The life of faith cannot be lived out of the flesh

Fasting – not accustomed to telling your flesh no!

You will never be a person a great faith if you can't control of your mouth and your flesh!

FAITH IS TRULY A MATTER OF WHAT YOU ARE HOOKING YOUR MOUTH UP TO!

Walking in, listening to, and obeying what The Holy Spirit tells us. Living out of our New Creation Spirit, God made heart, causes us to stay connected with Him.

When we Keep His words, honor Him and His words in our lives.

That is “walking in the spirit”

Following our hearts gets easier and easier the more we listen to it!

Proverbs 16:23 *The **heart** of the wise teacheth his **mouth**, and addeth learning to his lips*

OFFERING: LUKE 5:4 *When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "**Put out into *deep water, and let down the nets for a catch.**"*

DEF: “DEEP”- BATHOS- *depth; deep water; met: fullness, immensity; an extreme degree; profundities, deep-laid plans.*

inexhaustible abundance, immense amount, (TRUST JESUS!)

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