

## PUTTING THE BASICS OF FAITH INTO ACTION

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### DAY I – FAITH AND LOVE WORK TOGETHER

Faith and love work together, but faith will not work in an unforgiving heart. The Holy Spirit shows His work, the gifts of the Spirit, through believers walking in love. It's so important to live with these fundamentals of faith and love.

### STUDY IT

- I. Faith and love work together.
  - The woman healed of the issue of blood had faith (Mark 5:25-34).
  - She believed Jesus would heal her before she ever *felt* anything in her body. She didn't feel healed until after faith had done its work. She didn't feel her faith. She felt the impact of that power that went into her.
  - Jesus said, "Your faith made you whole." Jesus didn't instigate this miracle—she did.
    - Her faith stopped Jesus in the street, because He was aware of the power flow. Healing power would not have flowed from Jesus if she had not touched Him.
  - She heard The WORD of healing. We know that because faith comes by hearing and hearing by God's WORD (Romans 10:17).
    - The WORD she heard brought faith and changed her whole outlook on the situation.
  - All circumstances were against her. She was bleeding, and the Law stated that she didn't have the right to be out in public.
  - She heard The WORD, and she determined to get her healing. She put the fundamental forces of faith into action.
  - Her healing came in four steps: She heard, she said, she came and she touched.
  - When she was made whole, every problem this disease had caused her for over 12 years was fixed.
- II. This is very important: Faith will not work in an unforgiving heart (Mark 11:25-26; Galatians 5:6).
  - God is always inclined, always ready, to forgive.
  - You have God's faith and the Anointing of Jesus.
  - God *is* Love. He doesn't *have* love; He *is* Love. God's love, *agape*, is a giving love.



- III. The Holy Spirit shows His works through believers who are walking in love. We call those manifestations, spiritual gifts (1 Corinthians 12:7-11).
- All the workings of the Holy Spirit must be accompanied by love, or else they will not manifest.
  - All that is not of faith is sin (Romans 14:23). When unforgiveness is present (that's a sin), faith is choked out.
  - Judge yourself concerning two things:
    - Check the measure of love in your life in God (1 Corinthians 13:1-3).
    - Check the soil of your heart that The WORD of God—the seed—is being planted into (stony, thorny or good ground) (Mark 4:14-20).
- IV. It's so important to live with these basic fundamentals of faith and love.
- The love of God is poured out into our hearts (Romans 5:5).
  - God has given us the commandment of love (Luke 10:27).
    - Love The LORD with all your heart, soul, mind and strength; love your neighbor as yourself; and love the believers (John 13:34).
  - God gave you the love with which to love and fulfill His commandment.

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

Meditate on the love of God. Faith works by love, so check your love walk.

Write scriptures that describe the love of God, and your love as you imitate Him. Start with 1 Corinthians 13; 1 John 4:8, 16, and go on from there.

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### DAY 2 – WORDS OF FAITH WILL CHANGE YOUR SITUATION

Believe and speak that God loves you. Words are the most powerful and important things on this planet, and they will change your situation. If you are going to spoil a strongman's house, first bind him with your words. Renew your mind with words of faith from God's WORD.

#### STUDY IT

- I. Believe and speak that God loves you (1 John 4:10-16).
  - Meditate on God's love. This truth is a vital part of the basic fundamentals of faith.
  - When you made Jesus Christ The LORD of your life, you were born again. You became a new creature (2 Corinthians 5:17-18).
  - Do you believe the love that God has for you? The children of Israel in the wilderness didn't believe that God loved them (Hebrews 3:19).
  - Jesus's disciples didn't believe Jesus cared for them. They awakened Jesus in the boat saying, "Don't You care?" (Mark 4:38)
  - Don't ever let yourself say that Jesus doesn't care for you!
- II. Words are the most powerful and the most important things on this planet, and they will change your situation.
  - Jesus said, "The words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works" (John 14:10).
  - "The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life" (John 6:63). Jesus never spoke any death words.
  - The power of death and life are in the tongue (Proverbs 18:21). Jesus used that law but He didn't use the death side.
  - Jesus said, "I only say what I hear my Father say, and I only do what I see my Father do" (John 5:19).
  - The Spirit of God will give you the words to say to activate your faith.
    - The Spirit of God gave that woman with the issue of blood the words to say (Mark 5:28).



- Jairus said to Jesus what the Spirit of God told him to say. Then he never said another word until his girl was raised up, even after they told him, "Your daughter is dead." (Mark 5:35-36).
  - Ask The LORD to give you the exact words to say as you pray about a situation.
  - At any time, you can say: Thank You, God, for always giving me the victory. Thank You, God, for always causing me to triumph in Christ Jesus (1 John 5:4; 2 Corinthians 2:14).
- III. If you're going to spoil the strongman's house, you must first bind him with your words (Matthew 12:29, 18:18).
- Jesus used authority to bind and loose while He was still on earth.
  - Before He returned to heaven, He turned that power and authority over to His Body—that's us! You can cast out the devil. You can lay hands on the sick, and they'll recover (Mark 16:18). You go to all the world and work the works of God in Jesus' Name (Mark 16:17).
  - You can pray for family members. If you say, "Save Uncle Fred. Save Aunt Minnie. Save my child"...you have not prayed anything yet. Jesus already did His part by going to the cross and shedding His blood. He purchased the gift of God which is eternal life for you. Salvation is a gift, and it's ready.
  - Say this in the power and authority of Jesus Christ: "You spirit operating in the life of my son (daughter, dad, mother or whomever), I adjure you in the Name of Jesus Christ, whose I am and whom I serve, you desist today. Stop trying to keep him out of the kingdom of God. I bind you! You're done!"
  - Don't go by your feelings. Ask The LORD to send laborers across his path with The WORD of his salvation, his healing, his prosperity, everything he needs (Matthew 9:38). Claim him as a child of God today, in the Name of Jesus. Then start listening for a phone call of victory!
  - Humble yourself to God (James 4:7).
  - It's true Bible humility to cast all cares, anxieties, worries and concerns onto The LORD (1 Peter 5:6-7). All of those things are fear based. We know that perfected love casts out fear (1 John 4:18).
  - So, what do you do? Surround that person with thoughts of faith toward God. Get all that other stuff out of your mind. Forgive him, love him, meditate on scriptures, and renew your mind by taking a thought and saying it.
- IV. Renew your mind with God's thoughts from His WORD. Speak His WORD, and what you say will come to pass.
- Take God's WORD and put it in your mouth. You take a thought by saying it.
    - It works the same way in the negative realm. When you were worrying, you took that thought of failure by saying it (Matthew 6:31-32).
  - Steps to remove care from your life. Use as needed:



- Write down all of your cares, worries and things that you don't have any business thinking about.
- Take Communion thanking Jesus for taking all the curse and sin for you.
- Roll the care of these problems over onto Him.
- Now, burn the list you made. Those worries are not yours anymore.
- Declare that whatever is worrying you is not your care.
- Find scripture promising God's deliverance from whatever the care is.
- If you have concerns about your kinfolds, use the scriptures above. Bind the strongman and give the care of those people to Jesus.
- Make a quality decision—one about which there is no more argument and from which there is no retreat—to have faith in God.

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

Make this declaration with Brother Copeland:

*I refuse to let the sun go down on care in my life. I'm not going to carry care any longer. I refuse to be concerned about what happens to the finances. I refuse to be concerned about what happens to me physically. I refuse to be concerned about what happens to the family. **I am not going to carry the care!***



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### DAY 3 – HOW TO BECOME A CHAMPION OF FAITH

To be a champion of faith requires that you learn the fundamentals of faith. They are found in the Bible, the manifestation of God Himself. People who are champions become that way by practice and more practice. Beware of hindrances to faith. Do things God's way and use faith.

#### STUDY

- I. To be a champion of faith requires that you learn the fundamentals of faith.
  - No. 1: You believe The WORD in your heart (your spirit), and then say it (Mark 11:22-25; 2 Corinthians 4:13; Romans 10:10).
  - No. 2: Act on your faith. James says you are to be a doer of The WORD and not a hearer only (James 1:22, 2:17).
  - Believe, think and act as though the Bible is really true, and it is really speaking to *you*.
- II. The Bible is a treasure! It is just as much a manifestation of God in this earth as the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (John 1:1). This written WORD is a manifestation of God Himself.
  - The Bible tells us that the woman with the issue of blood heard of Jesus and faith came. Then, she said what she believed.
  - She believed in her heart that she would be healed, she said it, she came to Jesus and was healed (Mark 5:28). She used the basic faith fundamentals.
- III. People who are champions become that way by practice and more practice.
  - Brother Copeland gave an example he heard from Jeremy Pearsons. When you watch championship sporting events like the World Series, the Super Bowl, the U.S. Open and the World Cup, you're watching players who are masters of the fundamentals.
  - Practice your faith and stay with it. Think about faith, talk about it and listen to other people talk about it—it is life!
  - Rather than starting out using your faith to defeat cancer, begin with something smaller.



- Brother Copeland told of believing for a pair of socks. He said, "I believe I receive new socks. Thank You for them." He soon received a pair of socks—faith socks.
- Brother Copeland recounted Jerry Savelle's faith experience when they began traveling together. Brother Jerry needed clothes to wear to the meetings. He began to believe and speak that God was giving him new clothes.
  - First, Brother Copeland's dad bought Jerry a suit. Then, more clothes began to come in. Brother Jerry started sowing and received an abundant harvest of clothes.
  - Some years later, a major clothing company sent Brother Jerry a whole truck loaded with new clothes that he was able to sow into others.
- The fundamentals of faith work!

IV. There are some fundamental hindrances to faith.

- The No. 1 hindrance to faith is an unforgiving heart. Jesus specifically talked about the importance of forgiveness (Mark 11:25-26). Faith will not work in an unforgiving heart.
  - Unforgiveness is not love, and faith only works by love (Galatians 5:6). We are saved by grace through faith (Ephesians 2:8). If you have no love, you have no faith. If you have no faith, you have no grace (Romans 4:16).
- Another major hindrance to faith is a lack of understanding: that is, a lack of working knowledge that you are a new creature (2 Corinthians 5:17-18).
  - It's not just agreeing with what the Bible says, but an awareness of the fact that you are not the same old person.
  - You are now in Christ—a new creation, a new creature.
  - You can't be an old sinner and a new person. You are either one or the other.
- Your inner man—your spirit man—has been made new.
  - The real you is a spirit being, an eternal being; you are never going to die. You are a spirit, you have a soul, and you live in a physical body.

V. We are honored to be able to use God's faith and do things His way. God has given us each the same measure of faith (Romans 12:3).

- When you were born again, you became a joint heir with Jesus (Romans 8:17). When you don't think like you are in Christ, you are open to the attack of the enemy.
- Spiritual death is not to cease to exist, but to be disconnected from God.
  - No spirit that's been released into this earth will ever cease to exist, but *where* you exist is your choice.
- Any man who is in Christ is a new creature, or creation. Old things have passed away and all things are new (2 Corinthians 5:17-18).
- God has reconciled us to Himself by Jesus Christ (the Anointed), and has given to us the ministry of reconciliation!



## MAKE IT PERSONAL

You too can be a champion of faith. It takes discipline, but you can do it!

First, write down when you are going to spend time reading and studying God's WORD.

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Next, write your confession of faith for yourself and your family. Be sure to incorporate Scripture promises in your confession.

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Finish with thanksgiving and praise. Rejoice that God heard you and will answer you (1 John 5:14-15).

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### DAY 4 – RENEW YOUR FAITH FOR VICTORY

Renew your faith and expect the victory! You are a new creature. You didn't get re-created because you were worthy, but because God loved you. God has raised you up and made you sit in heavenly places in Christ Jesus. Say: "I'm redeemed!"

#### STUDY IT

- I. Renew your faith and expect the victory!
  - Simon Peter obtained precious faith through the righteousness of God and our Savior, Jesus the Anointed One (2 Peter 1:1).
  - Our faith is the same faith the Apostle Peter, Paul and John had. Every born-again believer has the same measure of faith (Romans 12:3).
    - We all began at the same place. God is no respecter of persons (Acts 10:34).
- II. You are a new creature. You didn't get re-created because you were worthy (Colossians 1:18-22), but because God loved you!
  - We are not worthy in ourselves; but we *are* in Christ, our hope of glory (Colossians 1:27).
  - Every born-again believer has the spiritual DNA of Jesus. Our minds must be renewed to live in this new truth (Romans 12:2).
  - There are many religious people who say, "I'm so unworthy." Their conscience condemns them, because that's what they've been taught. They think that attitude of unworthiness will impress God into answering their prayers. They think they are being humble.
  - The Bible says, "Humble yourself. Cast all your care on Him" (1 Peter 5:6-7).
- III. God has raised us up together and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus, far above all principalities, powers and dominions (Ephesians 2:6-7, 1:21)!
  - You can come boldly to the throne of grace, because that's where you sit. Come to God boldly, obtain mercy, and find grace to help in a time of need (Hebrews 4:16).
  - You are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation and a special people who have been called out of darkness into His marvelous light (1 Peter 2:9).



- Renew your mind to the truth that you are a new creation.
- Faith begins where the will of God is known. If you don't know that it's God's will to heal you, you can't believe for your healing.

IV. Say: "I'm redeemed!" (Psalm 107:2).

- The moment you invited Jesus into your heart and received Him as your LORD and Savior, you were delivered from the authority of darkness! You've been translated into the love kingdom (Colossians 1:12-13).
- Put on your spiritual armor with the words of your mouth (Ephesians 6:13-18).
- Make this confession with Brother Copeland:
  - *I come at you, satan, in the Name of The LORD Jesus Christ! Get out of my presence! Leave this place! I resist you (James 4:7)! Don't mess with me or my family, devil! Take your hands off of my mind! Take your hands off my body! You get out of my life!*

Additional scriptures: 1 Peter 1:23; Ephesians 1:16-23; 1 John 1:7

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

When the pressure is on and nothing seems like it is working; you're confessing The WORD, and nothing seems to be happening; and the devil is spewing his lies at you by saying, "After all, you didn't think that was really going to work for you. Who do you think you are?" say what Brother Copeland says:

*Devil, let me tell you who I am. I'm part of a royal priesthood. I am royalty, you know. I'm a new creature in Christ Jesus; I'm a twin brother to Jesus. I have a measure of the same faith that created this universe. Let's talk about your sad future. You thought you could overcome God, the Almighty One. You were defeated and lost everything. Your future is to be put into the lake of fire.*

You're going to have to speak up and order him out of the house. Don't yield to him or to his spirit of depression.

You are a winner! You are victorious through faith in Christ Jesus!



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### DAY 5 – RESIST THE DEVIL WITH JOY

The fundamentals of faith work! Jesus, by the grace of God, tasted death for every man. Resist the devil and he must flee.

#### STUDY IT

- I. The fundamentals of faith work.
  - You are a new creature. Jesus washed you in His own blood. He made you a king and a priest to God (Revelation 1:4-6).
  - Talk to yourself. Speak God's promises and confess the healing scriptures over yourself. Talk like a king, not a beggar. You are a joint heir with the King of kings.
  - To change your thinking calls for the renewing of your mind (Romans 12:2). Renew your mind to the place you talk healed, think healed and talk prosperous.
  - If you find yourself weak, your joy is not on the level it should be. The joy of The LORD is your strength (Nehemiah 8:10). Joy is already in you. It's part of the fruit of the spirit (Galatians 5:22-23) and you should let it grow. The way you become joyous is to talk that you're a new creature. Go ahead and laugh out loud!
    - "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine" (Proverbs 17:22). Start laughing.
    - Brother Hagin had physical heart symptoms. He started laughing by faith. The devil said, "What are you laughing at?" Brother Hagin said, "I'm laughing at you, devil! You said I wasn't going to get my healing this time. I don't have to get it. Jesus already got it for me 2,000 year ago." He kept doing that until the victory rose up on the inside of him. The devil packed up all his symptoms and left the room. You can laugh him right out of your house too!
    - Laugh that back ache right off of you. Laugh that ear infection right out of your ear. Laugh that sinus trouble right out of your head. Laugh by faith!
  - The devil doesn't have any defense against God's WORD of power in your mouth.
- II. Jesus, by the grace of God, tasted death for every man (Hebrews 2:9).
  - A born-again believer cannot taste it, smell it, see it, hear it or feel it when his body dies. Death is an enemy. It's the last enemy that we put under our feet. As long as we are in this body, we fight death.
  - Once you step out of this body, you do not want back for any reason. You've been totally and completely released into real life!



- Jesus suffered when He was tempted (Hebrews 2:18).
- Jesus suffered for the born-again believer, so we're not supposed to be suffering sickness and disease (Isaiah 53:4-5). We are to resist everything that Jesus bore for us on that cross.
  - Jesus bore our sins; we resist sin.
  - Jesus bore our sickness; we resist sickness.
  - Jesus bore our pains; we resist pain.
  - Jesus bore our poverty; we resist poverty.
  - Jesus bore our fear; we resist fear.
- That's our suffering—the act of resisting the devil!
- Jesus destroyed the power of death. The devil doesn't have the power of death anymore (Hebrews 2:9-15). The word *destroy* means "zero."

III. Resist the devil and he must flee!

- Don't let the devil tempt or pressure you. We press toward the mark of the prize (Philippians 3:14). When the devil pressures you, you put pressure on him.
- All fear is connected to death. The fear of death is the master fear. You're not afraid of flying, you're afraid of dying. All fear is fear of death, even the fear of sickness, fear of disease and fear of other people. When you believe that something can hurt you, that's fear.
- When you realize that all Satan has left is a threat, he has no power over you. He can't do a thing in the world to you apart from fear, so resist fear! Jesus took his authority and his keys away from him!

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

Make this confession with Brother Copeland:

*I am a believer, not a doubter. I am victorious. I'm born again by The WORD of God that lives and abides forever. He is my life, my victory and my joy. I've not been given the spirit of fear. I have been given the spirit of power, the spirit of love and the spirit of a sound mind (2 Timothy 1:7)!*

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