



## EXPLORING THE FUNDAMENTALS OF FAITH

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### DAY 1 – THE FOUR FUNDAMENTALS OF FAITH

Resist anything that Jesus bore for us on the cross. Years ago, the ministry had a series of events that caused it to be \$6 million behind on the television bill. There is a law of faith. Follow the directions in the Manufacturer's Handbook—God's Handbook is His WORD.

### STUDY IT

- I. Resist anything that Jesus bore for us on the cross.
  - At the first sign of any symptom, resist it in the Name of Jesus.
  - The first step is to submit to God (James 4:7-8).
    - Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to you.
  - The second step is to resist the devil, and he will flee.
  - It's important to humble yourself and cast all your care onto The LORD (1 Peter 5:6-7). Stop worrying about things.
- II. Years ago, the ministry had a series of events that caused it to be \$6 million behind on the television bill.
  - The night before the ministry board meeting, Brother Copeland looked at the reports on all the departments.
    - Each department had the best year it had ever had—except the TV department; the one he had tried to carry and worry about.
  - He and Gloria cast the whole care onto The LORD.
    - He read: "Do ye look on things after the outward appearance?" (2 Corinthians 10:7).
  - Brother Copeland promised God that he would not look at that problem any more.
    - He refused to touch it with his thought life. Every time the thought of the bill came, he demanded it to leave.
    - He said, "We walk by faith and not by sight. We have it by faith."
  - Up until then, they had paid the TV bill in two installments each month. After getting caught up, they always paid the monthly bill at one time.
  - They praised and rejoiced and came out to victory.



- III. There are fundamental laws of faith (Romans 3:27).
- “We walk by faith and not by sight” (2 Corinthians 5:7). We are not moved by what we feel or what we see.
  - Faith is now. Hope is in the future.
  - What faith is: “Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen” (Hebrews 11:1).
  - How faith comes: “Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by The WORD of God” (Romans 10:17).
  - When faith comes: Faith was put into us the moment we were born again.
  - In November 1962, Brother Copeland heard God’s voice say, *Get right with Me or you’re going to a devil’s hell*. He knew he should, but he didn’t know how.
    - Inside his heart, he heard his childhood Sunday school teacher’s voice say, “Jesus, come into my heart.”
    - The moment he prayed it, he became a new creature.
- IV. Follow the directions in the Manufacturer’s Handbook—God’s Handbook is His WORD.
- Fundamentals of faith:
    1. Believe it in your heart and say it with your mouth.
      - Mark 11:23; Romans 10:10; 2 Corinthians 4:13; Luke 6:43-45; Matthew 12:35-37; Mark 5:25-34.
    2. Faith will not work in an unforgiving heart.
      - Mark 11:25; Galatians 5:6; Ephesians 4; Romans 5:5.
    3. Abraham’s BLESSING cannot be received with Thomas’ faith.
      - Romans 4:17-20; John 20:24-29; 2 Corinthians 4:18.
    4. Faith calls things that be not as though they were.
      - Romans 4:17; Philippians 4:6-9; Genesis 17:1, 25:1-2.
  - The Bible is blood-bought, blood-washing and blood-backed. It’s full of healing and deliverance scriptures.
  - The believer can lay hands on the sick, and the sick will be healed.

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

Write down the four fundamentals of faith and meditate on them.

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### DAY 2 – FAITH RESPONDS TO THE WORD OF GOD

Be a doer—act on what you hear from God's WORD. Faith responds to The WORD of God. Years ago, Brother Copeland had symptoms of the flu. He declared he was healed and determined to preach anyway. Jesus is a Faith-Man!

#### STUDY IT

- I. Be a doer—act on what you hear from God's WORD.
  - “But be ye doers of The WORD, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves” (James 1:22).
  - Act on the truth. “You shall know the truth and the truth will make you free” (John 8:32).
  - Your faith must have corresponding action.
    - “What good is it, my brethren, if a man professes to have faith, and yet his actions do not correspond?... Some one will say, ‘You have faith, I have actions: prove to me your faith apart from corresponding actions and I will prove mine to you by my actions’” (James 2:14, 18, *The New Testament in Modern Speech* by Richard Francis Weymouth).
  - Make the declaration: “My faith must have corresponding action or it's dead. If I don't act on The WORD and what I believe, there's no expression of my faith, nor is there any release of it.”
  - Don't be double-minded.
  - If you need wisdom, ask God believing He will give it to you (James 1:5).
    - God gives liberally and doesn't condemn you in your need.
  - Ask in faith without wavering. If you go from faith to doubt, back to faith, back to doubt, you will not receive anything from The LORD (James 1:6-7).
    - “A double-minded man is unstable in all his ways” (James 1:8).
- II. Faith responds to The WORD of God.
  - Brother Copeland went to preach and a flu epidemic broke out in the town.
  - Brother Copeland and Pastor Sutton visited each sick church member, anointed them with oil and used God's WORD (James 5:14-15). They told the sick people to use corresponding action to receive their healing.



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- “Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the Name of The LORD: And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and The LORD shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him” (James 5:14-15).
  - Most of them were willing to get out of bed, and as they tried to walk around the room, they got stronger and were healed.
    - One man refused to believe. He said he was sick, and would not use corresponding action. As a result, he got very sick and it was several weeks before he was well.
- III. Years ago, Brother Copeland had symptoms of the flu. He declared he was healed and determined to preach anyway.
- Brother Copeland declared he was redeemed from the curse of the Law.
    - The curse includes consumption, fever, inflammation and extreme burning (Deuteronomy 28:22).
  - He went to church, still with symptoms, and preached over two hours on healing because of the stripes Jesus took (1 Peter 2:24).
  - When the service was over, he was completely healed.
- IV. Jesus is a Faith-Man!
- The demon-possessed man in the tombs ran to Jesus (Mark 5:6-8).
  - The devil talked through the man.
  - That demon was a ruler of the darkness of this world. He was a ruler of three to 6,000 other demons, and they were controlling that whole area (Mark 5:9).
  - The unclean spirits asked to be sent into the swine, and the swine all ran off a cliff and drowned.
  - Leaders from the area came to see what was going on. They found the previously demon-possessed man sitting, clothed and in his right mind (Mark 5:10-15).
    - Jesus had used corresponding action, ahead of time, to bring clothes.

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

The WORD of God spoken in faith is a powerful weapon. Read, study, believe and use God's promises as you declare His will for you.

Write down a promise from God's WORD you can use for your needs. (Hint: James 1:5.)

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### DAY 3 – FAITH HAS A VOICE

Every believer has a voice, and it's the voice of faith and victory. Anytime you have a problem, find the root cause. It matters what you say. Praise God for faith connections.

### STUDY IT

- I. Every believer has a voice, and it's the voice of faith and victory.
  - Years ago, Brother Copeland was preparing to preach a series of meetings.
  - He was going to preach on salvation, the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, healing, etc., and was planning what notes to use for the evening service.
  - The LORD said, *Is there victory in salvation? In the Baptism in the Holy Spirit? In the healing message? Every believer has a voice, and it's the voice of victory.*
  - Out of that encounter came the names of the magazine, *Believer's Voice of Victory* and the VICTORY Channel®.
- II. Anytime you have a problem, find the root cause or the key issue.
  - Jesus and the disciples saw a fig tree with leaves but no fruit (Mark 11:13).
  - Jesus said, "No man eat fruit of thee hereafter for ever" (Mark 11:14).
    - The next day, they saw the tree dried up from the roots (Mark 11:20). Jesus' words went into the root system of the tree and killed it.
  - You must find the root cause of how the devil got into your affairs by researching God's WORD until you find it.
    - Most of the time it's because you have stepped out of Love.
    - If you'll continue to pray in the spirit and listen for God's voice, He'll show it to you in His WORD; when He does, fix it.
  - Jesus emphasized what we must say.
    - "Whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith" (Mark 11:23).



III. It matters what you say.

- Jairus *said* to Jesus, "Come lay hands on my daughter so she will be healed and live" (Mark 5:23).
- The woman with the issue of blood stopped Jesus by touching His garment and receiving her healing (Mark 5:25-29).
  - Jesus said, "Daughter, your faith has made you whole" (Mark 5:34). He meant, "Stay whole, don't go back into whatever made you sick."
  - Jesus was Anointed with power (Acts 10:38).
- She *heard* of Jesus. She *believed* and *said*, "If I touch His clothes, I will be whole."
  - Faith comes by hearing (Romans 10:17).
- Brother Hagin had a vision in which The LORD told him the steps to receive what was needed:
  1. Say it.
  2. Believe it.
  3. Do it.
  4. Tell it.

IV. Praise God for faith connections.

- The LORD called Brother Copeland to preach and to fly.
  - That piloting skill put him in close relationship with Oral Roberts.
- Later, he developed a relationship with Kenneth E. Hagin.
- Brother Copeland also likes to ride motorcycles.
- He went to a dealership to look at a Honda Goldwing.
  - One of the workers said, "My dad wanted to come and meet you, but I told him not to come."
- Brother Copeland said, "Get your dad." The man was a Rhema graduate.
  - The man said, "I'm baptized in the Holy Spirit, but my son isn't." So they prayed for the man's son to be filled with the Holy Spirit.
  - The LORD told Kenneth, *You have just answered the prayers of a mother.*

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

"Faith has a voice" means you should speak what you are believing.

Write down your own declaration of faith concerning your family or yourself.

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### DAY 4 – LOVE MAKES FAITH WORK

Faith works by Love. Paul taught us to desire the best gift, a more excellent way, which is God's Love. God's Love is a requirement—we are to love everyone. Jesus is the Answer. He is always our Source.

### STUDY IT

- I. Faith works by Love.
  - “Stand fast in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free” (Galatians 5:1).
  - You stand fast, not by religious works, but by faith which works by Love (Galatians 5:6).
  - “Therefore be imitators of God.... And walk in Love, [esteeming and delighting in one another] as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us” (Ephesians 5:1-2, *Amplified Bible, Classic Edition*).
- II. Paul taught us to desire the best gift, a more excellent way, which is God's Love (1 Corinthians 12:31, *AMPC*).
  - The excellent way is described in the next chapter, verses 1-3.
    - “If I [can] speak in the tongues of men and [even] of angels, but have not Love (that reasoning, intentional, spiritual devotion such as is inspired by God's Love for and in us), I am only a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers (the gift of interpreting the divine will and purpose), and understand all the secret truths and mysteries and possess all knowledge, and if I have [sufficient] faith so that I can remove mountains, but have not Love (God's Love in me) I am nothing (a useless nobody). Even if I dole out all that I have [to the poor in providing] food, and if I surrender my body to be burned or in order that I may glory, but have not Love (God's Love in me), I gain nothing.”
  - “The Love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us” (Romans 5:5, *New King James Version*).
  - The LORD said, *Kenneth, I can't enlarge your ministry any more. You're too high-tempered. When someone criticizes you, you fly off the handle. You've gone as far as you can go in the condition you are in now. Do you want My perfect will for you?*



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*Don't read anything about yourself in print anymore. The bad stuff is too hard to get rid of. The good stuff you are too prone to believe.*

- See the Appendix for Brother Copeland's faith declaration of God's Love as a personal description of himself (based on 1 Corinthians 13:4-8, *AMPC*).

III. God's Love is a requirement—we are to love everyone.

- Years ago, Brother Copeland said something unkind about President Lyndon B. Johnson.
- The LORD said, *Do you know him?* Kenneth: "No, Sir." *Do you know anyone who knows him?* "No, Sir." *Sounds like you don't know much.* "Yes, Sir." *I love him.* Kenneth: "LORD, I do, too."
- Brother Copeland began to pray for President Johnson according to 1 Timothy 2, and the Love of God rose up on the inside of him.

IV. Jesus is the Answer. He is always our Source.

- Jesus is *the* Source. He has many channels, and He uses us as channels from His source of Love.
- Love is the key. Walk in it, live it, act it; and as you face a decision, go the Love way.
- Always stay on the God side of everything.
- "The LORD BLESS thee, and keep thee: The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee: The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace" (Numbers 6:24-26).

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

God's Love is very strong. It's not the gooey, sentimental feeling we often call love. It's powerful and can bring into being what you are believing for; especially if you call on God's Love to do His will.

Write down your confession of God's Love that will protect and provide for you.

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### DAY 5 – HAVE FAITH TO RECEIVE YOUR HEALING

Speak your faith. Having faith in The WORD of God without any physical evidence of it is the highest form of faith, according to Jesus. Oral Roberts encouraged Brother Copeland to write a monthly Partner Letter. Jesus was Anointed to teach and heal.

### STUDY IT

#### I. Speak your faith.

- Jairus *said* to Jesus, "I pray thee, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live." And Jesus went with him (Mark 5:23-24). Jesus followed faith.
- The woman with the issue of blood had faith to receive her healing (Mark 5:28)
  - She *said* it, she believed it, she did it, she told it.
  - Her faith stopped Jesus (Mark 5:30). Her faith made her whole (Mark 5:34).
  - The woman testified about her healing, and it stopped Jesus and Jairus.
- While she was talking, a messenger came to tell Jairus his daughter was dead. Jairus didn't say anything (Mark 5:35-36).
  - Jesus *said*, "Fear not: believe only, and she shall be made whole" (Luke 8:50). Stop the fear; only believe; keep your faith going.
  - Jairus had already said, "She shall live."
- Jesus *said*, "She's not dead, she's asleep" (Luke 8:52). He put all unbelief out of the room.
- He took her mother and father, who was the leader of the synagogue in Capernaum, into the house. Jesus took the girl's hand and lifted her up. She was alive and healed (Luke 8:54-55).

#### II. Having faith in The WORD of God without any physical evidence of it is the highest form of faith, according to Jesus.

- A gentile Roman centurion sent word to Jesus, "Speak The WORD only and my servant will be healed" (Matthew 8:8).
  - Jesus marveled at the centurion and said, "I have not found such great faith in all of Israel" (Matthew 8:10). All the disciples were there listening.



- “Be it done unto you as you have believed.” And the servant was healed that very hour (Matthew 8:13).
  
- III. Oral Roberts encouraged Brother Copeland to write a monthly Partner Letter.
  - Brother Roberts threw his Bible at Brother Copeland.
  - He said, “What is this? It’s letters. And they are just as anointed today as they were when they were written.”
  - Brother Roberts continued, “Write a letter to your Partners every month, but don’t write it to get your needs met. Write it to get *their* needs met. That’s your job—to get people’s needs met.”
  
- IV. Jesus was Anointed to teach and heal.
  - “Jesus went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed of the devil, for God was with Him” (Acts 10:38).
  - Jesus announced His ministry.
    - He went to the synagogue and opened the book to Isaiah 61.
    - He read: “The Spirit of The LORD is upon me.” His assignment was to heal, deliver and proclaim the acceptable year of The LORD (Isaiah 61:1-2; Luke 4:18-19).
    - The year of The LORD is the year of Jubilee when every debt is cancelled.
  - Abraham’s faith called things that were not as though they already were (Romans 4:17).
    - “He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; and being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform. And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness. Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him; But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our LORD from the dead” (Romans 4:20-24).
  - That’s what we are to be doing when we speak by faith.

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

Strengthen your faith by reading, hearing and believing God’s WORD. Nothing is impossible for Him. Please let us know how God is healing and BLESSING you by [clicking here](#), or [contact us on Facebook™](#).

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Remember: God loves you, we love you, and JESUS IS LORD!



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#### DAY 4 – LOVE MAKES FAITH WORK

Confess with Brother Copeland his declaration of God's Love as a personal description (based on 1 Corinthians 13:4-8, *Amplified Bible, Classic Edition*).

"I endure long, and I'm patient and kind. I'm never envious or boil over with jealousy. I'm not boastful or vain glorious. I do not display myself haughtily. I'm not conceited or arrogant or inflated with pride. I'm not rude or unmannerly; I don't act unbecomingly.

"Love, God's Love in me, does not insist on its own rights; I don't either. Because He's in me. I'm not self-seeking. I'm not touchy, fretful or resentful. I take no account of the evil done to me. I pay no attention to a suffered wrong. I do not rejoice at injustice and unrighteousness; but I rejoice when right and truth prevail, because I bear up under anything and everything that comes.

"I'm ever ready to believe the best of every person. Love's hopes are fadeless under every circumstance, and so am I. Love endures long, and I endure long. Love never fails so I never fail. I don't fade out or become obsolete or come to an end."