Kingdom Principles

Part 7: Faith | Text: Matthew 7:7-12

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Faith allows us to connect with God and His Word. Our faith allows us to develop our confidence in the integrity of God's Word and our acknowledgement of the character of God.

Genesis 3:1-7 | Numbers 23:19

Habakkuk 2:4 | Romans 1:16, 17

Righteousness: The gift from the Lord that allows us to stand before the Lord without any guilt, shame, or fear. Integrity, virtue, purity of life, and correctness of thinking our attributes of righteousness that we can access.

(Strong's)

Righteousness: We know have the ability to enter into a relationship of love and confidence with God. This relationship is a gift and is not accomplished by our effort and it allows right standing with our Heavenly Father.

2 Corinthians 5:21 | Ephesians 6:14 | Romans 5:1,2 | Romans 5:17 Romans 5:21 (NKJV) ...so that as sin reigned in death, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Galatians 3:11

Faith is the result of the Word dwelling in our hearts. We must live it, protect it, meditate it, speak it, and act on it.

Read and Meditate

Proverbs 4:20-22 | Psalm 119:15 | Psalm 119:99 | Colossians 3:16 Psalm 119:11 (NKJV) Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You.

Jeremiah 15:16 (NKJV) Your words were found, and I ate them, and Your word was to me the joy and rejoicing of my heart; for I am called by Your name, O Lord God of hosts.

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Confession

Romans 4:17 (MSG) Matthew 4:4 Romans 4:18-21 (NKJV)
Galatians 3:8 2 Corinthians 4:13 Proverbs 18:20-21
Romans 10:8-10 (NLT) Salvation that comes from trusting Christ--which is the message we preach--is already within easy reach. In fact, the Scriptures say, "The message is close at hand; it is on your lips and in your heart." (9) For if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. (10) For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by confessing with your mouth that you are saved.

Action

Galatians 5:6 | James 2:25 | James 2:14-18 | Matthew 6:31

1 Kings 17:13 Elijah said to her, "Don't be afraid. Go home and do as you have said. But first make a small cake of bread for me from what you have and bring it to me, and then make something for yourself and your son."

Hebrews 11:7 By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

Hebrews 10:38

We must be able to stand strong believing the Word of God when the tests of life come our way.

Hebrews 11:6 Hebrews 11:17 Acts 16:23-30 Deuteronomy 8:2 John 6:5, 6 Hebrews 10:35-39 Judges 7:7 The Lord said to Gideon, "With the three hundred men that lapped I will save you and give the Midianites into your hands. Let all the other men go, each to his own place."

2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

James 5:7 (NLT) Dear brothers and sisters, you must be patient as you wait for the Lord's return. Consider the farmers who eagerly look for the rains in the fall and in the spring. They patiently wait for the precious harvest to ripen.

Discussion Questions for D12

- 1. Discuss righteousness and its application to faith.
- 2. Look at and discuss the three sections under Galatians 3:11.
- 3. Discuss Hebrews 10:35-39.
- 4. Discuss Romans 4:18-21 & Hebrews 11:17 make application to your own life.

Prayer Focus

Let's agree together for favor on City Kidz and an increase in volunteers to help with the harvest.