

Warring by Faith

A. The Prayer of Faith

- 1. The Warfare of Faith.
 - Mar 11:24 Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.
 - Joh 10:10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.
 - Luk 10:19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.
 - Mar 11:23 For verily I say unto you, That 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.
- 2. Faith is now.
 - Heb 11:1 KJV Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.
 - Heb 11:1 Amp Now faith is the assurance (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things [we] hope for, being the proof of things [we] do not see and the conviction of their reality [faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses].
 - Heb 6:12 In order that you may not grow disinterested and become [spiritual] sluggards, but imitators, behaving as do those who through faith (by their leaning of the entire personality on God in Christ in absolute trust and confidence in His power, wisdom, and goodness) and by practice of patient endurance and waiting are [now] inheriting the promises.
 - Exo 3:14 And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.
 - Joh 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
- 3. Words precede the manifestation.
 - Psa 103:20 Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word.
 - Mark 5:27 AMP She had heard the reports concerning Jesus, and she came up behind Him in the throng and touched His garment,
 - 28 For she kept saying, If I only touch His garments, I shall be restored to health.
 - Titus 3:8 This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou **affirm constantly....**
- 4. Actions precede the manifestation and must match your words.
 - Luk 17:14 And when he saw them, he said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed.
 - Mar 2:4 And when they could not come nigh unto him for the press, they uncovered the roof where he was: and when they had broken it up, they let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay.
 - Mar 2:11 I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house.
- B. Not Walking by Physical Sight
 - 1. Let your walk be directed by what you see through your Eye of Faith.
 - Psa 119:105 Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.
 - 2. Believe that you receive.
 - As best as you can, have a lifestyle which reflects your belief that you have already received the manifestation of the prayer. If the devil is lying about your health, speak and act as if you have already been healed.
 - Jas 2:17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.



- 3. Do not test whether or not you have already received by checking circumstantial evidence. Joh 4:48 Then said Jesus unto him, Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe. Joh 11:40 Jesus says unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou would believe, thou should see the glory of God?
 - Joh 20:29 Jesus says unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.
- 4. Do not test if the Word of God is true by comparing it to physical reality. 2Co 5:7 For we walk by faith, not by sight.

C. The Enemies of Your Faith

- 1. Lack of Knowledge.
 - Hos 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee.
 - Mar 4:15 And these are they by the way side, where the word is sown; but when they have heard, Satan cometh immediately, and takes away the word that was sown in their hearts. Mat 13:19 When any one hears the word of the kingdom, and understands it not, then cometh the wicked one, and catches away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.
- 2. Unbelief.
 - Heb 3:12 Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.
 - Heb 3:13 But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.
 - Heb 6:18 That by two immutable things, (i.e. His promise and His oath) in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:
- 3. Doubt.
 - Heb 10: 23 Amp So let us seize and hold fast and retain without wavering the hope we cherish and confess and our acknowledgement of it, for He Who promised is reliable (sure) and faithful to His word.
 - Heb 10:36 KKJV For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.
 - Heb 10:38 Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.
- 4 Fear
 - Fear brings the devil on the scene. Faith, **not** need, releases God's power into the situation. Eph 6:16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.
 - Job 3:25 For the thing which I greatly feared is come upon me, and that which I was afraid of is come unto me.
- 5. Laziness.
 - Joh 8:31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;
 - Joh 8:32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.
 - 12 And from the days of John the Baptist until the present time, the kingdom of heaven has endured violent assault, and violent men seize it by force [as a precious prize—a share in the heavenly kingdom is sought with most ardent zeal and intense exertion].