

Waging War To Get Results

Nehemiah 4:14

Objective

There is spiritual attack being launched against the families of the earth. My responsibility is to sound the alarm and to equip the saints for the fight so that their families can escape the coming assault.

Introduction

This lesson is designed to study the pitfalls of operating in the God kind of faith so that the believer can identify areas of mistakes and mishaps people make in the exercise of their faith. Further, to show a Scriptural common sense approach to the faith process and ways to avoid faith mistakes. Definition of a Faith Failure is the improper exercise of faith principles that either cancels the force of faith or never set in motion the faith process to bring the manifestation of the promises of God. Peter's failure and others will be used to teach us my example.

I. Understanding And Establishing The Necessity Of Faith

A. Faith Is A Dynamic Term That Requires Clarification

1. Faith is used for commitment to Christian principles *1 Timothy 5:8; 2 Timothy 4:7*
2. The Law of Faith is the focus of this lesson *Romans 3:27*

**The Law of Faith is an orderly and systematic execution of a spiritual principle that yields tangible results according to the will of God.*

B. The Faith Message Is The Message Of The Bible – Romans 10:8

**Therefore we must rehearse the settled issues that we have embraced for our lives.*

1. We are the children of God and are distinctively different from the world.
 2. We are spirit conscious students of the Word of God.
 3. We have made God's agenda and a priority for the church.
 4. We have decided to live impactful lives – Others will know we have passed this way.
 5. We are extremely excited and expectant about our individual and corporate future.
 6. We are the new breed of turned on believers who choose to walk by faith!
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II. The Dynamics Of Seven Common Faith Failure Mistakes – *Matthew 14:28-32*

The Mistakes are most often made in the fundamentals of faith – it takes the same faith process to believe for a sandwich as it does for the whole loaf of bread. **Matthew 22:29*

**If we learn the fundamentals of faith and exercise the discipline to operate the faith process systematically it will not matter the object of faith, the end result will be success!*

Faith only works at the level of knowledge that you have of God. **Romans 10:17*

Faith cannot operate effectively beyond the questions we have unanswered about the faith process! **Why your church is set up to help you understand and function in faith!
Def. Faith Failure is the improper exercise of faith principle that either cancels the force of faith or never sets in motion the faith process to bring the manifestation of the promises of God.*

A. Misdirected Faith – The attempt to release faith for something that is not actually promised. Example: *Malachi 3:10* Windows of heaven blessing – Money falling out of the sky – There are five justifiable expectations of the faith process... Plan... Favor... Wisdom... Miracle... Strength...

B. Wavering In Faith – The instability in faith focus. Error made in not being settled on what you are releasing faith for. Doublemindedness – Today in faith for car, tomorrow in faith for a truck! Confuse your heart with this wavering! Doublemindedness *James 1:8*

C. Focus on Sense Realm – This is a common mistake depending on the sense realm to validate and determine whether the faith process is working. Now granted ultimately the natural realm is the final proof of the faith process yielding results, but it is not to be relied on for validation of the promise of God.

1. Abraham considered not *Romans 4:17*
2. Peter's persuaded *Matthew 14:30*

D. Discounting The Will of Man – This common mistake occurs in the operation of corporate faith, where two or more are working the faith process on behalf of

another. God respects the will of man which is the most powerful dominate factor in the earth! Important in Surrogate Faith!

- E. Lack of Patience** – This is the common mistake made by the beginner is faith because of the impatience and the willingness to work the faith process. The beginner either quits before manifestation or cancels the process through unbelief because of the time factor. *Hebrews 10:35-36*

- F. Improper Faith Confession** – The faith confession is critical to the operation of faith and must be understood. Calling those things that be not as though they were is different from calling things that are as though they are not. Present Tense... Personal... *Romans 10:10* Persistence

- G. Yielding To Intimidation Of Persecution** – This faith failure is when the pressure of persecution works to cause the believer to withdraw from the faith process thinking that it will ease the attacks of persecution. There must be full persuasion on the operation of faith and the God requires faith to bring the promises of the covenant to pass.

Conclusion

The story of the family's breakthrough... In crisis mode... 1 Kings 17: Widow
Tremendous Problem! Taught by the Prophet! Trust the Promise! Tapped the Power!
