

“I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself”.



Galatians 2:20

L iving Life By the Faith Of The Son

The Apostle Paul said it. We need to live by the words that Paul lived by. Make it your own. Say that now: “the life that I now live I live by the faith of the Son of God”(Gal 2:20)! Everybody in this world lives by faith. The difference between the believer and the unconverted person is not the fact of faith, but is the **object** of the faith. The unsaved person trusts in himself and other human beings. The Christian trusts in God. It is your faith in God that is key to living a victorious life. If you have any doubts that God honors faith in Himself, all you have to do is read Hebrews 11.

I believe one of the greatest problems God has with His children is the developing of our faith. Our enemy/adversary, the devil, knows this and because of it, he attacks our faith.

The Apostle Paul, sought to encourage young Christians in Thessalonica. In 1 Thessalonians 3:1-3, he told them this, “Wherefore when we could no longer forbear, we thought it good to be left at Athens alone; And sent Timotheus, our brother, and minister of God, and our fellow labourer in the gospel of Christ, to establish you, and to comfort you concerning your faith: That no man should be moved by these afflictions: for yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto.” Sound familiar? We are to comfort others with the comfort we have been comforted with. We should encourage each other in the faith!

According to Romans 1:17, the Christian is supposed to go from one degree of faith to a higher degree of faith. When you read about Abraham, you see that God allowed him to go through many things in order to perfect his faith. It is a spiritual principle. The things you go through are to make your faith stronger. Whoever God works in and through your life, it is always in response to faith.

THE THING THAT HINDERS THE WORKING OF GOD IS NOT HIS LACK OF POWER, BUT OUR LACK OF FAITH.

Take a look at Matthew 13:58. Jesus marveled at their unbelief and He could not do many mighty works there. The question that this raises is an important one and that is: How can the believer know that he is living by faith? It is so easy for us to be fooled by our own feelings because it seems to

make sense to us or by the circumstances around us, or by satan and the power of darkness. There are some things that feel right to you, but many not be good for you. We have to always ask ourselves: Am I doing this for the glory of God, or is it just to please me?

Here is what we know about one man, Abraham: “He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God” (Romans 4:20). We all understand that this was the promise concerning Isaac when he and his wife were well up in age and had no child.

I AM CONVINCED THAT YOU NEVER REALLY TRUST GOD UNTIL YOU TRUST HIM TO DO THE IMPOSSIBLE.

In Luke 1:37, the Bible says, “for with God nothing shall be impossible”. You have to understand it was not Abraham’s faith in faith that caused this miracle to happen, it was his faith in God. It is important to notice the last part of Romans 4:20, giving glory to God. Faith always gives glory to God. I believe that faith confesses that man is unable to accomplish anything and that only God can do it.



When you are about to make a decision or take a step in your Christian life, ask yourself a question: “am I doing this for God’s glory or for me?” If there is any indication that this is self-glory, I advise you to stop doing it. True faith is only motivated by a desire to glorify God.

I have said this over and over again that faith and patience always go together. The Christian who waits for God’s leading and waits on God’s working will not be disappointed or ashamed. True faith is not in a hurry until God opens the door. Remember Israel at the Red Sea when God said to Moses stand still and see the salvation of the Lord your God. If you find yourself impatiently rushing ahead of the Lord, be careful, you are sure to act in fleshly unbelief instead of true faith, true spiritual faith. The Bible tells us in Romans 14:23, that “whatsoever is not in faith is sin”. True faith is always grounded in the Word of God. Scripture says in Romans 10:17, “so then faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God”. **No matter how reasonable any action may seem, if it contradicts the Word of God, you cannot do it by faith. The Bible gives us precepts to obey, promises to claim, and principles to follow, but if we violate any of these, we were acting in unbelief and not in faith. Sometimes, our friends may encourage us and circumstances may seem to favor us, BUT that does not mean it is of God.** Remember, Jonah found a ship waiting on him. If we are disobeying the Word of God, we are not acting in faith. This means that God cannot bless us or use us to bring glory to His name.

This week we will add to our list of restricted foods from our diet any and all red meat. I will conclude with this, “Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost” (Romans 15:13). Please if you can, meet me in our Zoom prayer on Monday Night, and we will give further instructions about Friday night whether it will be in person or via Zoom. Please keep praying for the salvation of our loved ones, for healing of our bodies, for a fresh anointing in our lives, and for an increase in our faith.