

Applying Faith for the Bread Pt. 3

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Mark 11:12-14 Now the next day, when they had come out from Bethany, He was hungry. 13 And seeing from afar a fig tree having leaves, He went to see if perhaps He would find something on it. When He came to it, He found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs. 14 In response Jesus said to it, "Let no one eat fruit from you ever again." And His disciples heard it.

...22-25 Now in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots. 21 And Peter, remembering, said to Him, "Rabbi, look! The fig tree which You cursed has withered away." 22 So Jesus answered and said to them, "Have faith in God. 23 For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says. 24 Therefore, I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.

In **Matthew 6:11** part of what Jesus told us to pray is "Give us this day our daily bread". Our Daily Bread" asking the Father for the necessities of life.

Luke 4:4 Jesus said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.'" Jesus is saying that humanity is made to live off the bread of God, which includes all of His great and precious promises.

2 Peter 1:4 And because of his glory and excellence, he has given us great and precious promises.

It's the word of God that provides all the necessities that we need for eternal abundant life

Necessities to God are having more than enough; this is why Jesus came to the earth. John 10:10 (Amplified Version) The thief comes only in order to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it in abundance (to the full, till it overflows).

All we need is what we need, and we all need more than enough.

The necessities of life can be put into two categories

1. Spiritual Nourishment:

Spiritual nourishment enables us to connect with God more deeply. It allows us to receive His guidance and fosters growth in our faith and understanding.

2. Physical Sustenance

God's physical sustenance encompasses goods, services, and resources, ranging from the supernatural to the natural. *God has an inexhaustible supply of riches that never depletes.*

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How to Apply Faith for the Necessities of Life

It takes the Word of God applied by faith to receive these necessities for a godly Life.

Mark 11:12-25 This is the most excellent instruction in one place in scripture for applying your faith for the Necessities of Life.

Remember, when we discuss our necessities, we are talking about more than enough, because we are called to be a blessing, to answer the needs of others, and help expand the Kingdom of God.

3 John 2-3 Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers.

We need to receive our abundant blessing so we can be an abundant blessing

Notice in our text scripture that Jesus exercised His right to obtain physical sustenance through a service provided at His request. "Let no one eat fruit from you ever again." Remember that physical sustenance consists of Goods, Services and Resources.

He commanded the tree to dry up, and He had faith that the Father would make sure that His request was honored.

It is Father God who ultimately orchestrates the manifestation of what we request or command.

John 16:23 (NLT) At that time you won't need to ask me for anything. I tell you the truth, you will ask the Father directly, and he will grant your request because you use my name.

Notice Peter heard Jesus curse the tree, which means that He spoke with authority and a commanding voice.

This service that the Father provided for Jesus was a part of Jesus' Daily Bread.

We should ask the Father for our daily bread in our morning prayer. Jesus likely followed the same pattern of prayer that he taught his disciples, so he too probably asked the Father for his daily bread during His morning prayer. Knowing that the Father would provide, all Jesus had to do was speak the word in faith, and it was accomplished.

By making this request at the beginning of the day, we can confidently confess, decree, and declare according to God's word as well.

Now, are we starting to see why Jesus constructed the Lord's Prayer the way He constructed it?

Jesus commanded it, but the Father does the work.

In the New Testament, Jesus acts as our advocate in the heavenly boardroom, representing us.

We also have the Holy Spirit, who takes the final decisions made in heaven, communicates them to us, and implements them for our benefit here on Earth.

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John 16:12-14 "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. 14 He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you.

As we study the Bible carefully, it provides us with detailed information about how decisions are made in heaven and the ones implemented for us here on earth.

After Peter had noticed what Jesus had done concerning the fig tree, Jesus' first response to His Disciples in Mark 11:22 was to "have Faith in God", or trust in God.

Trusting God that He is faithful and will keep His promises is key to applying faith that will transfer the Necessities of life from heaven to earth.

Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; 6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.

So even when I'm applying my faith, I still have to acknowledge God as being the source of what I need or desire. When facing challenges, don't rely on human reasoning only. While it can be helpful, we should first consult God, who is our source.

According to *Mark 11* verses 23-25, applying Faith for necessities starts with:

- 1. Trusting God as the source.
- 2. Be willing to speak the desired results by faith.

Mark 11:23 For assuredly, I say to you, whoever (this includes anyone who trusts God) says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,'

Hebrews 11:1 (Amplified Bible) 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].

Faith is the substance for both spiritual nourishment and physical sustenance.

Speaking God's Word filled with Faith is a creative force and the answer to the necessities of a Godly, abundant life. When I say words filled with faith are a created force, I'm talking about the fact that it is a creative force for the manifestations here in the natural. But it goes to heaven as commerce to retrieve what has already been given by God.

Faith is spiritual currency that God backs up.

The spiritual substance that is faith manifests in the heart when one receives and believes the word of God. Romans 10:17 So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.