

Applying Faith for the Bread Pt. 4

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Mark 11:22-24 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.

Our 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:
- 2. Physical Sustenance

God has an inexhaustible supply of both riches that never depletes.

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.

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

1. Trusting God as the source.

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.

According to Jesus, we can command it and expect the Father to do the work.

In the New Testament, Jesus acts as our advocate (1 John 2:1-2) and intercessor (Hebrews 7:24-26) in the heavenly boardroom, representing us.

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Jesus, as our advocate, pleads our case before God, acting as a defense attorney, especially when we've stumbled, focusing on defending us against accusations and securing our legal standing before God as righteous.

Jesus as intercessor serves as a mediator, praying for our needs and spiritual growth. He constantly works on our behalf, focusing on both present and future needs, while facilitating our ongoing relationship with God.

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.

John 16:13 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.

The first response Jesus gave to his disciples after Peter had noticed he had cursed the fig tree was to Mark 11:22 Have Faith in God", or Trust in God.

Trusting God means acknowledging that He is the source and that He is faithful, keeping His promises.

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.

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,'

To speak confidently by faith, we must first recognize what faith is.

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 a genuine spiritual substance; it is more than just a matter of belief. We can look at it like currency; Faith is a spiritual matter.

Faith is a spiritual gift given by God. Romans 12:3 ... God has dealt (distributed) to each one a measure (a portion measured off or allotted) of faith.

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

Faith is a spiritual substance that can be measured. Luke 17:6 So the Lord said, "If you have faith as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be pulled up by the roots and be planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

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Speaking God's Word filled with Faith is a creative force and the answer to the necessities of a Godly, abundant life.

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.

3. Understand the Mouth-Heart Connection.

Mark 11:23...and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says

Faith works through the heart-mouth connection.

2 Corinthians 4:13 And since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I believed and therefore I spoke," (The Spirit of faith David had, Psalms 116:10) we also believe and therefore speak,

The Spirit of the Word of God imparts knowledge and revelation, which enables us to believe. This belief creates faith—the spiritual substance—that empowers us to speak and act in accordance with the Word of God. As a result, this leads to the manifestation of God's promises.

The heart-mouth connection operates through the "spirit of faith," a divine Gift given by the Holy Spirit to enable believers to believe and act on God's promises despite doubts. This spiritual force (faith) empowers believers to trust and obey God.

The spirit of faith is a speaking faith, where believers declare their faith by articulating God's promises.

This heart-mouth connection, operating by the spirit of faith, is how we received our salvation. Romans 10:8-10 8 But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith which we preach): 9 that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

The connection between the heart and the mouth is what truly matters.

When we hear and believe, faith develops in our hearts.

However, Faith will have little impact unless we express it verbally.

Matthew 12:34 ...For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. 35 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things.

The Love of God and the Word of God are the good treasures of the heart.

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Proverbs 4:23 Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life.

We keep our hearts by making the proper deposits into our hearts.

Proverbs 18:21 (ERV) The tongue can speak words that bring life or death. Those who love to talk must be ready to accept what it brings.

Notice, in our text, it lets us know to be detailed about our request. Mark 11:22 "says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,'".

Don't be random about your request, decree, or confession.

The woman with the issue of blood stated her intentions clearly, expressing what she would do and what she expected would happen.

Mark 5:25-34 Now a certain woman had a flow of blood for twelve years, 26 and had suffered many things from many physicians. She had spent all that she had and was no better, but rather grew worse. 27 When she heard about Jesus, she came behind Him in the crowd and touched His garment. 28 For she said, "If only I may touch His clothes, I shall be made well."

She put her faith into action by speaking and taking corresponding actions that align with her declaration.

She believed that He was the messiah and what the bible said the messiah would do for His people.

She acted in line with Malachi 4:2 But to you who fear My name The Sun of Righteousness shall arise With healing in His wings;

She understood that when the scriptures mention healing being in His wings, it refers to the healing virtue found in what covers Him. That is why she expressed herself in that way.

She received her faith by gaining the revelation that Jesus was the Messiah and understood what He came to offer His people.

We should ask ourselves if we have taken enough time to truly know Jesus by spending time with Him, engaging in fellowship, and gaining insights from His word.

29 Immediately the fountain of her blood was dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of the affliction... 34 And He said to her, "Daughter, your FAITH has made you well (whole). Go in peace, and be healed of your affliction."

Jesus pronounced that not only did she receive her healing, but that she was made whole and had peace. Nothing is missing, nothing is broken, everything is complete.