

Fortifying your Faith, part 2

Learning from the Unbelief shown over a possessed little boy, from Mark 9:14-29, part 2

Introduction

1 Peter 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again ... **John 1:13** who were born, not... of the will of man, but of God.

LITTLE FAITH Matthew 8:26 He said to them, "Why are you afraid, you men of *little faith?*" Then He got up and rebuked the winds and the sea, and it became perfectly calm.

WEAK FAITH Mark 9:24 Immediately the boy's father cried out and said, "I do *believe*; help my *unbelief*."

GREAT FAITH Matthew 8:10 Now when Jesus heard this, He marveled and said to those who were following, "Truly I say to you, I have not found such *great faith* with anyone in Israel.

ABOUNDING in FAITH 2 Corinthians 8:7 But just as you *abound* in everything, *in faith* and utterance and knowledge and in all earnestness and in the love we inspired in you, see that you abound in this gracious work also.

Galatians 2:20 we live by faith

2 Corinthians 5:7 we walk by faith

1 John 5:4 we overcame the world by faith

Hebrews 11:6 without faith it is impossible to please God

#1 Avoiding Spiritual DISTRACTION 9-13

#2 Acknowledging you need DIFFICULTIES 14-15

#3 Admitting the FRAILITY of your Faith 16-19

John 8:44 You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning

#4 Appreciating your _____ with Christ 20-22

Matthew 7:9 "Or what man is there among you who, when his son asks for a loaf, will give him a stone? 10 "Or if he asks for a fish, he will not give him a snake, will he? 11 "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good to those who ask Him!

#5 Accessing the _____ of FAITH 23

Mark 10:27...Jesus said, "With people it is impossible, but not with God; for all things are possible with God."

Mark 14:36 And He [Jesus] was saying, "Abba! Father! All things are possible for You; remove this cup from Me; yet not what I will, but what You will."

*John 14:13 "Whatever you ask in My name, that will I do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.
14 "If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it.*

#6 Appropriating _____ in God's Word 24-27

Luke 9:42 gave him back to his father.

Luke 9:43 And they were all amazed at the greatness of God

#7 Applying _____ in prayer 28-29

Matthew 17:20 He said to them, "Because of the littleness of your faith; ...

These verses are...

1-A challenge to grow beyond _____ faith

2 A reminder about depending on Christ while _____

3 A picture of God's _____ running out

4 An exhortation to _____ God's Word and rest in God's Character

5 A warning to _____ Christians

Galatians 2:20 "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me

6 A warning of the subtlty of _____ and the consequence of sin

7 A call for you to cry out to Christ for _____

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