

BIG FAITH

*Hebrews 11:6 (NASB) And **without faith it is impossible** to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.*

Lets look at it again, but this time only a portion of the verse

“Without faith it is impossible....”

- Seeing the invisible and doing the undoable without faith is impossible.
- Realizing that prophetic word without faith well thats impossible too
- Being the first person in generations of your family to finally get ahead of the rat - in that rat race - without faith well that too is impossible
- Getting healed of that incurable disease? Impossible
- Living life according to the Divine design without faith impossible.

But nothing need be impossible to us / we can be achievers of the impossible doers of the impractical if we live a life of unwavering faith

Today I want to talk about having **BIG faith**

Faith Comes

*Romans 10:17 (NASB) So **faith comes** from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.*

Faith comes (faith is not a human invention, not a figment of our imagination) it is Divine in origin and comes when we hear God inspired words / Anointed words.

Words are the delivery vehicles of faith.

- Somethings come by train
- Somethings come by boat
- Somethings come by truck
- Somethings come by car
- Faith always comes by Words

Everyone say, FAITH COMES BY WORDS

If we get this part, we are light years ahead of many in the church and we've nearly completed our PHD in Faithology.

God made the process of Faith easy to understand.

Isaiah 55:8 (NASB) "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways," declares the LORD.

Isaiah 55:9 (NASB) "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways And My thoughts than your thoughts.

Isaiah 55:10 (NASB) "For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, And do not return there without watering the earth And making it bear and sprout, And furnishing seed to the sower and bread to the eater;

*Isaiah 55:11 (NASB) So will My word be which goes forth from My mouth; It will not return to Me empty, Without accomplishing what I desire, And without succeeding *in the matter* for which I sent it.*

In order to make the process easy to understand God used rain to illustrate the process of faith.

Exhibit #1- vs 10

*Isaiah 55:11 (NASB) So will My word be which goes forth from My mouth; It will not return to Me empty, Without accomplishing what I desire, And without succeeding *in the matter* for which I sent it.*

Exhibit #2 Vs 11

God likens the Word (Faith) cycle to the Water Cycle

For the water to cause the growth it must penetrate and saturate the soil

If the water can't get to the soil because of a hard surface (concrete) it has no opportunity to cause the growth

If the water runs off too quickly no growth will take place.

The Word must have opportunity to penetrate and saturate the soul / heart

If the hardness of the heart blocks the Word the Word can't cause the promised growth.

If the Word goes in one ear and quickly out the other / meaning its forgotten it can't cause the promised increase.

*Joshua 1:8 (NASB) "This book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but **you shall meditate on it day and night**, so that you may be careful to*

do according to all that is written in it; for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have success.

To meditate is to saturate.

The saturation is the key

Words but not just any words

*Isaiah 59:21 (NASB) "As for Me, this is My covenant with them," says the LORD: "My Spirit which is upon you, and **My words** which I have put in your mouth shall not depart from your mouth, nor from the mouth of your offspring, nor from the mouth of your offspring's offspring," says the LORD, "from now and forever."*

Jesus is the Author of our Faith - His words enter into the heart and act upon the heart and then our heart reacts to the Word.

Romans 10:17 (TPT) Faith, then, is birthed in a heart that responds to God's anointed utterance of the Anointed One.

Say, BIG faith!

That's our objective.

Now we know where faith comes from - it enters into our life story by God's words.

Every born again person has the potential for BIG faith.

But not all born again people develop their faith equally.

Some never give much time or effort to the development of their faith so they are of the "little faith" club.

Others give great effort and much time to the development of their faith and so they gradually graduate to the "great faith" club.

Club BIG faith is accepting members, all are welcome. Wanna join?

Romans 10:8 (NASB) ... "THE WORD IS NEAR YOU, IN YOUR MOUTH AND IN YOUR HEART"—that is, the word of faith which we are preaching,

Romans 10:9 (NASB) that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved;

Romans 10:10 (NASB) for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.

Right here in these 3 verses we are told how this cycle of faith works.

Exhibit #2

1. Father speaks His Words of Life / They rain down upon us like rain
2. We hear them
3. We give them time to penetrate & saturate they produce fruit
4. Fruit of our lips / they return to God by our praise, prayers and profession

We can't skip a step or deny a step.

We can't deny the profession of faith / if we do we short circuit the Faith cycle.

Romans 10:9-10 (NLT) If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord [someone or something having power, authority, or influence; a master or ruler] and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved.

For if you publicly declare with your mouth that Jesus is Lord

Saved = to *save*, that is, *deliver* or *protect* (literally or figuratively): - heal, preserve, save (self), do well, be (make) whole.

The area of your silence is the area of your defeat!

You will rise to the level of your confession of His Lordship.

Where the cycle of water is in continuous and constant operation there is the abundance of life

Where it is not there is not

Compare the Rain Forest of the Amazon to the deserts of Sahara

In our life where there is an abundance of the Faith Cycle there is an abundance of life

Where there is not there is not

I told you this would be a simple teaching

*Isaiah 59:21 (NASB) "As for Me, this is My covenant with them," says the LORD: "My Spirit which is upon you, and **My words** which I have put in your mouth shall not depart from your mouth,*

This is the simple secret to BIG faith

His Words in our mouths

John 12:49 (NASB) "For I did not speak on My own initiative, but the Father Himself who sent Me has given Me a commandment as to what to say and what to speak.

Jesus is saying, "I don't initiate my own words...."

John 12:49 (TPT) For I'm not speaking as someone who is self-appointed, but I speak by the authority of the Father himself who sent me, and who instructed me what to say.

John 12:50 (TPT) And I know that the Father's commands result in eternal life, and that's why I speak the very words I've heard him speak."

Jesus was saying I know how to cause Divine change in every situation I employ the Father's words because they result in abundant life, eternal life, divine living.

Right here we see the Faith Cycle at work.

Jesus heard the Words

Jesus spoke the Words

We know that the Bible says out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks

John 6:63 (TPT) "...The words I speak to you are Spirit and life.

In closing here is the secret

Hear - Meditate - Profess

Do this and your Faith will grow and become exceedingly BIG faith