

Faith – Possessing the Unseen

Heb. 11:8-10: 2 Cor. 4:16-18

- Faith is released in us when we come to the knowledge of God’s heart, character and ways.
- *Unbelief always gets what it expects.*

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- Faith sees from a God perspective.
 - *Abraham left all that was familiar to enter unfamiliar, enemy-occupied land, and kept worshipping and waiting.*
 - *The Lord was dealing with fleshly issues of his heart and generational patterns of iniquity.*
 - *“Ishmael” thinking and practice had to be exposed and brought to an end.*
 - *Abraham had to believe God’s word, base on His character when all seemed impossible.*
 - *His original call and purpose was never abandoned.*

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- Faith sees from a God perspective.
 - *Abraham giving up Ishmael was a big test of faith, but allowing God to purify him and his purpose through death was the ultimate test of his heart and loyalty to God Himself.*
 - *This “suffering of faith” brought about resurrection life (in type) and allowed the generational testimony (the heart of Abba formed in Abraham) to be passed on to successive generations.*

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•Faith is neutralized when I believe a lie about who He is, what He's like and what He wants to do.

•*Real faith does not deny the natural realm, but it realizes the kingdom of God is superior and dominates the natural.*

•*Is there any bondage, sickness, lack or destruction in heaven?*

•*It does not exist there because it is contrary to God's nature, purposes and will.*

•*Would Satan like to bring death and disease to heaven?*

•*He cannot because He has no authority there.*

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•*Jesus brought the realm of God's kingdom to earth and did on this earth what was Adam's original purpose...taking heaven's dominion to earth.*

•*When the things of God are submitted to man's fallen intellect, then unbelief and religiosity (form with no power) are the results.*

•*When the intellect is submitted to the things of God, faith is released and our minds become renewed.*

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•*In the modern church, most goals can be accomplished without God.*

•*If we have money, people, programs and a common objective, we can do it without God's help.*

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Rom. 10:17: “So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.”

•All who hear do not believe, so this must mean that there has to be a disposition to really hear.

•It’s the heart that is soft, hungry and willing that really hears.

•It also says it does not come by having heard.

•Faith comes from an intimate relationship with the Father.

•Faith comes and matures by staying connected and hearing with a willing heart.

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•Faith knows God will do it.

•Faith is not the absence of fear and doubt, but the presence of belief that’s anchored in the burning heart of God and His revealed will through His word and by His Spirit.

•Faith is built through intimacy and worship and released through simple obedience.
