

## Faith in the Authority of the Word and the name of Yahusha

Without faith in Yahuah and His word, it is impossible to please Him. Therefore it is impossible to be chosen for leadership in the kingdom. It requires faith to ask for baptism in the power of the Holy Spirit and pray in tongues, when it sounds like foolish noise that cannot be understood. It takes faith to heal the sick, cast out demons, believe that Yahuah will provide whatever is asked for, and believe that the spoken word has authority over all things. It takes faith to believe that obedience to the law is required to enter the kingdom of Yahuah. It takes faith to honor and call on the names of Yahuah and Yahusha in the face of opposition. It takes faith to believe that believers are being trained for leadership in the kingdom by tests, trials, persecution, prison and suffering, while being patient and not being offended. It takes faith to believe that righteous acts, caring for the poor, and teaching the word of the kingdom will be rewarded in the kingdom with authority. It takes faith to believe that the kingdom of Yahuah, the city of New Jerusalem, exists and will take authority over the earth very soon. It takes faith to believe that believers must do these works to qualify to be chosen to enter the gate to life into the city for leadership in the kingdom.

Where does this faith come from? Faith comes from hearing the spoken word. All words are seeds of faith that are sown into the human spirit, which produces a harvest of faith<sup>1</sup>. The more a person speaks, the more he believes what he is saying, good or bad. Negative words produce faith in the negative, or fear and doubt. Positive words produce faith for blessings and success in achieving goals.

**Mark 11:23,24** “Have faith in Yahuah. 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 what ever he says. Therefore ... whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them and you will have them.”

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<sup>1</sup> Jesse Duplantis, Your Power is in Your Saying and Believing, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7L3-gEUOe3c>

It takes faith to endure the cares of the world and believe that Yahuah will provide everything needed, by seeking first the kingdom of heaven and obedience to the law. It takes faith to believe that the kingdom is far better than the pleasures of this life and the temporary wealth of worldly success. It takes faith to believe in the name of Yahusha for the forgiveness of sins and eternal spirit life. It takes faith to believe that everyone's works will be judged and rewarded, good or bad. Those believers justified to be chosen for leadership in the kingdom, must live by faith and not by sight.

**Hebrews 11:1-6** “faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good testimony. ... But without faith it is impossible to please him, for he who comes to Yahuah must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.”

**John 3:15-18** “For Yahuah so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. ... He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of Yahuah.”

**Romans 10:17** “Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of Yahuah.”

All words are seeds of faith, good or bad. The more that people speak, the more they believe what they say<sup>2</sup>. Most people talk about bad things. Believers are instructed to control their tongue and say positive words. If believers quote the promises of Yahuah, they will develop faith in those words. A man can say anything, and if he believes what he is saying, then whatever he says will come to pass, good or bad. Complaining causes more bad things to happen. Saying positive words will cause good things to happen.

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2 Kenneth Copeland, Speak His Word in Faith, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f3wjjvV8V8o>

**Romans 4:17** “Yahuah, who gives life to the dead and calls those things which do not exist as though they did;”

When people say positive things, Satan comes against them to stop them from causing good things to happen. He uses tribulation, persecution and trouble to stop the believer from saying positive things. That is the source of the expression, “knock on wood,” when someone says something positive, hoping to stop bad things from happening.

**Mark 4:14,15** “The sower sows the word. ... Satan comes immediately and takes away the word that was sown in their heart. ... tribulation or persecution arises for the word’s sake ... the cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things entering in, choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.”

**Matthew 13:19** “When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. ... tribulation arises because of the word.”

### **Faith for Asking and Receiving**

Developing faith in the authority of the word is very important for receiving answers to prayers. This is the key to the kingdom. This is the good fight of faith to overcome spiritual forces and receive everything that is needed for life, while seeking first the kingdom of heaven. Yahuah cannot help believers unless they ask Him. Believers have not because they don’t have the faith to ask and believe they will receive what they ask for. They will not have faith in Yahuah if they don’t receive what they are asking for.

**Matthew 18:19,20** “Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven.”

**John 14:13-15** “And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask anything in My name, I will do it.”

**John 16:23,24** “in that day you will ask me nothing. ... whatever you ask the Father in My name He will give you. ... Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.”

**John 15:7,8** “If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. By this My Father is glorified that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.

**Philippians 4:6,7** “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to Yahuah; and the peace of Yahuah, which passes all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through the Messiah Yahusha.”

### **Faith in Authority over Spiritual Forces**

Yahuah has given Yahusha authority over heaven and earth. Yahusha taught His disciples to demand what they want in His name. Yahusha’s prayer is a series of demands. He and His disciples demanded that people be healed and raised from the dead. With the power of the Holy Spirit believers can do the same miracles.

**Matthew 16:19** “I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

**Luke 11:2-4** “When you pray, say: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us day by day our daily bread. And forgive our sins, for we also forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.”

**Acts 3:2-8** “a certain man lame from his mother’s womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple ... Peter said, ‘Look at us. ... In the name of Yahusha the Messiah of Natzaireth rise up and walk.’ And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.”

**Mark 6:7-13** “He called the twelve to himself, ... and gave them power over unclean spirits. So they went out and preached that people should repent. And they cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick, and healed them.”

Yahusha also taught two parables teaching believers to persistently demand what they want in prayer until they receive it. A man demanded that his friend give him three loaves of bread at midnight. “because of his persistence he will rise and give him as many as he needs.” (Luke 11:8) Yahusha also told a parable about a widow demanding justice from an unjust judge who said, “Though I do not fear God nor regard man, yet because this widow troubles me, I will avenge her.” (Luke 18:2-5) Yahusha wondered if He would find this kind of faith on the earth when He returns. (Luke 18:8).

**Mark 16:15-18** “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

## **Faith to Work for the Kingdom**

To be chosen to enter the gate to life in the city of New Jerusalem, to rule over the nations, is the highest calling that Yahuah has designed for man. So it is important to focus on this goal as the highest priority in life. Yahusha said to not worry about the cares of this world, but to seek first the kingdom of heaven and he will give you everything you need. However, it takes faith

to believe that the city exists and that only those who do good works, obey the commandments and bear fruit for the kingdom will be chosen to enter it. It takes faith to give to the ministry, preach the word of the kingdom, honor the name of Yahuah, and to obey the laws by keeping the Sabbath and the holy days.

**Matthew 6:24-34** “No one can serve two masters; ... You cannot serve Yahuah and wealth. Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. ... For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of Yahuah and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow. (1 Timothy 6:17; James 4:4)

Yahusha said that the cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches and the desires for other things choke the word of the kingdom, and it becomes unfruitful. (Mark 4:19; Matthew 13:22). Therefore believers should dedicate their life to doing good works, help the poor and support the ministry of the word instead of focusing on achieving wealth in this world.

**Matthew 16:24-27** “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels and then He will reward each according to his works.” (1 Corinthians 3:11-15)

Life in the kingdom is called the salvation of the carnal soul, which requires good works, obedience to the law and fruitfulness for the kingdom. The wealthiest believers in the world will lose their soul if they do not qualify to be chosen to enter the city of the kingdom.

**James 2:14-24** “What does it profit my brethren, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can faith save him? ... faith by itself, if it

does not have works, is dead. ... You see then that a man is justified by works, and not by faith only.”

Salvation for eternal spirit life is by faith in the name of Yahusha alone. But faith alone will not qualify a believer for leadership in heaven, because salvation of the carnal soul for life in the kingdom is only based on good works, obedience to the law and fruitfulness for the kingdom.