

THE JUST SHALL LIVE BY FAITH!

Romans 1:8-17

INTRODUCTION: ROMANS 1:16-17: All that our God wants to do in our lives and through our lives will be done on the basis of our faith in Him and in His Word. Now everyone has faith. Even those who say I don't believe in God have faith that God does not exist. The real question is: "What kind of faith will a person have and what will be the object of their faith and what will be the amount of their faith. Where does true saving faith come from? Romans 10:17; Matthew 13:13-15; 1 Corinthians 2:14.

I. FAITH DETERMINES WHAT GOD WILL DO IN MY LIFE!

Matthew 9:27-31; Isaiah 9:6-7. We must learn like the blind men to say "Yes, Lord." Jeremiah 32:27. So our faith what God will do for us and through us, "according to your faith, so be it unto you." Hebrews 4:1-2. Do you know the Bible has over 7,000 promises for those who have faith and believe God's promises? 2 Peter 1:3-4. God will bless us and meet us at the point of our faith.

II. OUR FAITH CAN SOLVE IMPOSSIBLE PROBLEMS!

Our Lord Jesus used an illustration in Matthew 17 to sometimes in our lives we have a mountain of a problem that stands between us and the blessing of God: Matthew 17:19. Our unbelief will often rob us of God's richest blessings: Matthew 17:20. Often in our lives we are dealing with a problem that is beyond our ability to solve. That does not mean it is beyond our God's ability to solve it for us if we will live by faith! Mark 10:27.

III. OUR FAITH IS THE KEY TO ANSWERED PRAYER!

Matthew 21:21-22: What a promise this is! James 1:5-8. This is an unwavering faith. Our Lord here is putting a premium on our faith! Jesus is saying the least amount of true faith in the right Object can overcome the largest obstacles. In our lives! Jeremiah 32:27. Truly faith is the key to answered prayer. Prayer without faith is like having a rocket with no fuel.

IV. OUR FAITH IS THE SECRET TO GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS FOR OUR GOD!

Our faith allows our God to use us to bring glory to Him and blessing to ourselves and others. Mark 9:23-24. Over and over our Lord Jesus used the word "believe." The word "believe is an action word. Believe in the Bible is not only to believe but to commit yourself to a course of action because you do believe! Faith is what gives us confidence to move ahead when we cannot see what lies ahead. We need to praise our God that He is in the prayer answering business.

V. OUR FAITH IS THE BASIS FOR SEEING GOD'S MIRACLES IN OUR LIVES!

Do you want to see one of the most amazing verses in the Bible? A miracle is when God sets aside the normal course of nature and chooses instead to invade human history for a time and do that which only He can do. John 14:12-14. Does that amaze you? I believe Jesus is here saying because of how many people form the Church, we will do greater works than He did while on the earth because we are literally everywhere on the earth. If you have believed on Jesus Christ as your personal Lord and Savior than the Holy Spirit lives in you and will empower you to do great works for God!

VI. OUR FAITH PRODUCES SUCCESS IN OUR LIVING!

1 John 5:4-5: yes this is the victory that overcomes all the power of this world: even our faith! We are going to look at a few verses in the "faith chapter of the Bible to see what God's people have done for His glory through their faith. Hebrews 11:29; 1 John 5:4-5.