CONCEPTS OF FAITH

The Creative Power of God

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Christianity is called the *great confession*, but most Christians who are defeated in life are defeated because they believe and confess the wrong things. They have spoken the words of the enemy. And those *words* hold them in bondage. Proverbs 6:2 says, "... Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth."

Faith filled words will put you over.

Fear filled words will defeat you.

Words are the most powerful thing in the universe.

Man is a spirit being, very capable of operating on the same level of faith as God. We read in Mark 9:23, "Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth." Matthew 17: 20 says, "And Jesus said unto them, … for verily I say

unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you." Mark 11:23 says, "For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith."

Spiritual Law

This is not theory. It is fact. It is a spiritual law. It works every time it is applied correctly. This is a SPIRITUAL LAW. God never does anything without saying it first. God is a faith God. God released His faith in Words. "And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God." (Mark 11:22) A more literal translation of the above verse says "Have the God kind of faith, or faith of God."

Ephesians 5:1 literally tells us to be imitators of God as children imitate their parents. *To imitate God, you must talk like Him and act like Him. He would not ask you to do something you are not capable of doing.*

Jesus operated in the faith principles of Mark 11:23 and Matthew 17:20 while He was on earth. He spoke to the wind and sea. He spoke to demons. He spoke to the fig tree. He

even spoke to dead men.

The wind, sea, tree, demons, and even the dead were obedient to what He said. He operated in the God kind of faith. God is a faith God. God released His faith in Words. Jesus was imitating His Father and getting the same results as His Father.

In John 14:12 Jesus said, "...He that believeth on me the works that I do shall he do also; and greater..." These principles of faith are based on spiritual laws. They work for whosoever will apply these laws. You set them in motion by the words of your mouth.

Do you really want all the negative things you have been confessing to come to pass? Are you believing for those things? If Jesus came to you personally and said, "from this day forward it will come to pass, that everything you say will happen exactly as you say it;" would that change your vocabulary? I believe it would.

Binding and Loosing

In Matthew 16:19 Jesus said, "I give you the keys of the kingdom, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." (NKJV)

Psalm 119:89 tells us, "For ever O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven." Now, it is up to you. What are you going to say about it? God will not alter what He has said. "My covenant will

I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips." (Psalm 89:34) Whose words will you establish on earth? The power of binding and loosing is on earth.

Spoken Words

Spoken words program your spirit (heart) either to success or defeat. Words are containers. They carry faith, or fear, and they produce after their kind.

WORDS ARE THE MOST POWERFUL THING IN THE UNIVERSE.

"So then faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the Word of God." (Romans 10:17) Faith comes more quickly when you hear yourself quoting, speaking, and saying the things God said. You will more readily receive God's Word into your spirit by hearing yourself say it than if you hear someone else say it.

Live in the Authority of the Word

The Spirit of God spoke to me concerning confessing the Word of God aloud; where you can hear yourself saying it. He said, "It is a scientific application of the wisdom of God to the psychological makeup of man."

And it works, thank God. *The body of Christ must begin to live in the authority of the Word. For God's Word is creative power*. That Creative power is produced by the heart, formed by the tongue, and released out of the mouth in word form.

"I have told my people they can have WHAT THEY SAY, and they are SAYING WHAT THEY HAVE".

In August of 1973, The Word of the Lord came unto me saying:

"If men would believe me, long prayers are not necessary. Just speaking the Word will bring what you desire. My creative power is given to man in Word form. I have ceased for a time from my work and have given man the book of MY CREATIVE POWER. That power is STILL IN MY WORD.

For it to be effective, man must speak it in faith. Jesus spoke it when He was on earth and as it worked then so shall it work now. *But it must be spoken by the body*. Man must rise up and have dominion over the power of evil by my Words. It is my greatest desire that my people create a better life by the spoken Word. For my Word has not lost its power just because it has been spoken once. It is still equally as powerful today as when I said, 'Let there be light.'

But for my Word to be effective, men must speak it, and that creative power will come

forth performing that which is spoken in faith.

My Word is not void of power. My people are void of speech. They hear the world and speak as the world speaks. By observing circumstances they have lost sight of my Word. They even speak that which the enemy says, and they destroy their own inheritance by corrupt communication of fear and unbelief.

No Word of Mine is void of power, only powerless when it is unspoken. As there is

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creative power in my Spoken Word, so is there evil power present in the words of the enemy to affect and oppress everyone that speaks them.

Be not conformed, but be transformed into the body of faith, knowing that my Words are alive evermore. Believe, speak, and obtain that your joy may be full and you shall be complete in Me."

These truths changed my life. I have never been the same. Confess victory in the face of apparent defeat. Confess abundance in the face of apparent lack.

In June of 1974, I was teaching a faith seminar in Hickory, North Carolina. My text was

taken from Mark 11:23. The Word of the Lord came unto me as I was teaching and spoke one of the most profound statements I have ever heard. It was simple, but then Jesus never made anything hard to understand. It is so simple that it almost seems foolish, but it has changed many lives.

WORDS ARE CONTAINERS. THEY CARRY FAITH OR FEAR.

It will change yours as you receive it. Let's put it in the context of which He spoke. Mark 11:23, "For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass, he shall have whatsoever he saith."

As I was teaching from this text, Jesus said to me, "I have told my people they can have WHAT THEY SAY, and they are SAYING WHAT THEY HAVE."

That is a very simple truth, but oh how profound and far reaching. For as long as you say what you have, you will have what you say, then you, again say what you have, and it will produce no more than what you say.

You can see that you have set a spiritual law in motion that will confine you to the very position or circumstance you are in when you set that law in motion. It is an age old problem

of not looking beyond what you can see with the physical eye.

A correct application of this spiritual law will change even the most impossible situation. But, to incorrectly apply these laws will hold you in bondage, and cause the circumstance to grow worse.

Every faith principle, and every spiritual law that God set forth in His Word was for your benefit. It was designed to put you over in life.

Learn to Release Your Faith in Words

You can have what you say if you learn to release faith from the heart in your words. Jesus said, "...as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee." (Matthew 8:13) He didn't say it would only work if you believed right. Whether you believe right, or wrong, it is still the law. "...God is not mocked, whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap." (Galatians 6:7)

The spiritual law is based on the same basic principle of seed-time harvest. The words you speak are seeds that produce after their kind. Just as sure as they are planted, you can be equally sure a harvest will follow. Faith talks. When faith talks, it talks faith, not fear and unbelief.

The Treasures of the Heart Cannot be Hidden, But are Manifest Through Words

Learn to take the Words of Jesus personally. In Mark 11:23, Jesus tells you that you can have what you say if what you say comes from faith in your heart.

What would happen if Jesus walked down the aisles of your church, laid His hands on the people, and said, "It will come to pass that after I have laid my hands on each one of you, everything you say will happen just as you say it"?

WHOSE WORDS WILL YOU ESTABLISH ON EARTH?

Half the congregation would jump up and say, "That just *tickles me to death*!"

The enemy has so programmed the minds of people until instead of resisting him, they have sort of buddied up with him, and begun to talk his language.

Train Yourself to Speak God's Word

Let us train ourselves to speak God's Word. Ephesians 5:1 tells us, "be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children..." The word, "followers" in Greek means to imitate. We are to imitate God as a child does his father. If a child imitates his father, he

will walk like him, talk like him; and patterns his every move after him. We should do no less after our Father, God.

When you study the life of Jesus you find several important facts that caused Him to overcome the world, the flesh, and the devil. I will list a few.

- 1. He spent much time in prayer, but He never prayed the problem; He prayed the answer. What God said is the answer.
- 2. He spoke accurately, never crooked speech. His conversation always consisted of what God said.
- 3. He always spoke the end results, **not the problem.** Never did He confess **present** circumstances. He spoke the **desired results.**
 - 4. He used the written Word to defeat Satan.

THE WORD OF GOD CONCEIVED IN THE HEART, FORMED BY THE TONGUE, AND SPOKEN OUT OF THE MOUTH IS CREATIVE POWER!