

Beyond Sunday

A Sermon Application Guide

Unbelief (The Law of Faith pt 2)

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday's message. You can print this guide to study on your own, or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

Our hope is that the living, breathing words of truth that are revealed to you become a part of your everyday life. In the book of James, we read about a key to living life with God. We are told that if we ask for wisdom by faith then we shall receive it generously from our Father in Heaven. One of the best ways to receive this wisdom is by preparing to receive it. We invite you to pray this prayer prior to the message and starting the study guide:

"God, thank You for Your truth and wisdom. Help me to see what I need to see, hear what I need to hear, and know what I need to know. Holy Spirit, help me to understand in a way that shows me the Father's true nature and heart. May this time help me to know You more and become more like Jesus. Amen."

Message Theme

Uprooting Unbelief.

Key Concepts/Truths

Unbelief can form many different ways:

- Wrong teaching
- Lack of knowledge
- Believing only what can be seen
- Refusing to believe
- Forgetting God's promises

Biblical theology needs to guide us instead of experiential theology.

God confirms His word and does what He says.

God's will is His word.

The testimony of Jesus strengthens our belief in who He is.

Which one truth do you already have evidence of in your life today? Ask the Lord for new ways to see even more of it for you and others around you. Write your answers out.

Which one truth is the most challenging or least existing in your life today? Why do you think this is? Ask the Lord if there are any beliefs or barriers that are keeping you from believing that particular truth. Write it out.

Real-Life Application

5 practical ways to prevent unbelief in our lives:

Value Relationship

Seek Him in all you do. Value relationship with Him above all things.

Study the Word

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. (Hosea 4:6) Study and dig deep into the Word of God and He will reveal Himself to you.

Know the Holy Spirit

He is our Helper and leads us into all truth as we bring the eternal Kingdom of God to earth.

Choose Faith

Choose to stand on your faith in God instead of the overwhelming circumstances around you.

Share Testimonies

They triumphed over him [the devil] by the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony. Revelation 12:11. Remember the goodness of God! Share His faithfulness and grow in faith.

This Week's Declarations

Life is released when your words are in agreement with God. Intentionally speaking life and biblical truth out loud is extremely powerful. In fact, you have that very life in the power of your tongue. These words below, when spoken out loud, will cause an acceleration of the reality of God's words in your life. We encourage you to speak the following with an expectancy to renew your mind and see God's fullness.

I chose to partner with God and not the enemy.

I have a role to play to see God's will done.

I am made by God to do good works and I will do them.

God has empowered me with every spiritual blessing.

I am the light of the world and I will shine before others,
so that they may see my good works and give glory to God.

I live to see God's will done on earth as it is in heaven.

Greater Things

The testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy. What has God already done in your life? He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. What He did in your life yesterday, He can do today. Standing on that truth will destroy unbelief and open the door to His greater things.

What's Next?

Now it's time to write down anything that the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, thank Him, and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

Scripture References

Unbelief

(The Law of Faith pt.2)

Mark 11:23 NKJV

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...

Mark 11:23 KJV

..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.

Mark 6:5-6 KJV

And he could there do no mighty work...because of their unbelief.

Mark 9:14-27 NKJV

And when He came to the disciples, He saw a great multitude around them, and scribes disputing with them. 15 Immediately, when they saw Him, all the people were greatly amazed, and running to *Him*, greeted Him. 16 And He asked the scribes, "What are you discussing with them?" 17 Then one of the crowd answered and said, "Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. 18 And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not." 19 He answered him and said, "O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me." 20 Then they brought him to Him. And when he saw Him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth. 21 So He asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. 22 And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." 23 Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things *are* possible to him who believes." 24 Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!" 25 When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and

enter him no more!" 26 Then *the spirit* cried out, convulsed him greatly, and came out of him. And he became as one dead, so that many said, "He is dead." 27 But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose.

Mark 9:22-24 NKJV

But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!"

Mark 9:29 NKJV

So He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting."

Mark 7:13 NKJV

..making the word of God of no effect through your tradition which you have handed down. And many such things you do.

Psalms 138:2 NKJV

For You have magnified Your word above all Your name.

Colossians 1:17 NIV

He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Hebrews 1:3 ESV

..he upholds the universe by the word of his power...

Jeremiah 1:12 ASV

...for I watch over my word to perform it.

Mark 16:20 NKJV

And they went out and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word through the accompanying signs. Amen.

Psalms 89:34 NKJV

My covenant I will not break, Nor alter the word that has gone out of My lips.

1 Peter 5:8-9 NKJV

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. 9 Resist him, steadfast in the faith...

Matthew 11:12 NKJV

..the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force.

Acts 10:38 NKJV

..how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went

about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.

Hebrews 10:9 NKJV

..then He said, "Behold, I have come to do Your will, O God.

Mark 6:5 KJV

And he could there do no mighty work...

Psalm 78:41 NKJV

And limited the Holy One of Israel.

Mark 6:5-6 NKJV

Now He could do no mighty work there...And He marveled because of their unbelief. Then He went about the villages in a circuit, teaching.

Hosea 4:6 NKJV

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.

Psalm 78:41 NKJV

And limited the Holy One of Israel.

Numbers 13:27-33 NKJV

Then they told him, and said: "We went to the land where you sent us. It truly flows with milk and honey, and this is its fruit. 28 Nevertheless the people who dwell in the land are strong; the cities are fortified and very large; moreover we saw the descendants of Anak there. 29 The Amalekites dwell in the land of the South; the Hittites, the Jebusites, and the Amorites dwell in the mountains; and the Canaanites dwell by the sea and along the banks of the Jordan." 30 Then Caleb quieted the people before Moses, and said, "Let us go up at once and take possession, for we are well able to overcome it." 31 But the men who had gone up with him said, "We are not able to go up against the people, for they are stronger than we." 32 And they gave the children of Israel a bad report of the land which they had spied out, saying, "The land through which we have gone as spies is a land that devours its inhabitants, and all the people whom we saw in it are men of great stature. 33 There we saw the giants (the descendants of Anak came from the giants); and we were like grasshoppers in our own sight, and so we were in their sight."

Numbers 14: 2-3 NKJV

And all the children of Israel complained against Moses and Aaron, and the whole congregation said to them, "If only we had died in the land of Egypt! Or if only we had died in this wilderness! 3 Why has the Lord brought us to this land to fall by the sword, that our wives and children should become victims? Would it not be better for us to return to Egypt?"

Numbers 14: 7-10 NKJV

and they spoke to all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying: "The land we passed through to spy out is an exceedingly good land. 8 If the Lord delights in us, then He will bring us into this land and give it to us, 'a land which flows with milk and honey.' 9 Only do not rebel against the Lord, nor fear the people of the land, for they are our bread; their protection has departed from them, and the Lord is with us. Do not fear them." 10 And all the congregation said to stone them with stones. Now the glory of the Lord appeared in the tabernacle of meeting before all the children of Israel.

Numbers 14:28 NKJV

says the Lord, 'just as you have spoken in My hearing, so I will do to you:

Psalms 138:2 NKJV

For You have magnified Your word above all Your name.

Mark 16:20 KJV

and confirming the word with signs following

Jeremiah 1:12 ASV

...for I watch over my word to perform it.

Matthew 28:1-4 NKJV

Now after the Sabbath, as the first *day* of the week began to dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. 2 And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat on it. 3 His countenance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. 4 And the guards shook for fear of him, and became like dead *men*.

Matthew 28:11-15 NKJV

Now while they were going, behold, some of the guard came into the city and reported to the chief priests all the things that had happened. 12 When they had assembled with the elders and consulted together, they gave a large sum of money to the soldiers, 13 saying, "Tell them, 'His disciples came at night and stole Him away while we slept.' 14 And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will appease him and make you secure." 15 So they took the money and did as they were instructed; and this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day.

1 Peter 2:8 NKJV

A stone of stumbling And a rock of offense." They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed.

Psalms 78:40-49 NKJV

How often they provoked Him in the wilderness, *And* grieved Him in the desert! Yes, again and again they tempted God, And limited the Holy One of Israel. They did not

remember His power: The day when He redeemed them from the enemy, When He worked His signs in Egypt, And His wonders in the field of Zoan; Turned their rivers into blood, And their streams, that they could not drink. He sent swarms of flies among them, which devoured them, And frogs, which destroyed them. He also gave their crops to the caterpillar, And their labor to the locust. He destroyed their vines with hail, And their sycamore trees with frost. He also gave up their cattle to the hail, And their flocks to fiery lightning. He cast on them the fierceness of His anger, Wrath, indignation, and trouble, By sending angels of destruction *among them*.

Psalm 69:30 NKJV

...And will magnify Him with thanksgiving.

Revelation 19:10 NKJV

... For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

Psalm 119:111 NKJV

Your testimonies I have taken as a heritage forever...

Psalm 119:111 NASB

I have inherited Your testimonies forever...

Psalm 78:5-7 NKJV

For He established a testimony in Jacob, And appointed a law in Israel, Which He commanded our fathers, That they should make them known to their children That the generation to come might know them, The children who would be born, That they may arise and declare them to their children, 7 That they may set their hope in God, And not forget the works of God, But keep His commandments;

Psalm 78:9 NKJV

The children of Ephraim, being armed and carrying bows, Turned back in the day of battle.

Psalm 78:9-11 NKJV

...being armed and carrying bows, Turned back in the day of battle. 10 They did not keep the covenant of God; They refused to walk in His law, 11 And forgot His works And His wonders that He had shown them.