

Beyond Sunday with Scripture References

Mental Assent (Mysteries pt 3)

A Sermon Application Guide

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

Message Theme & Prayer Focus

Mysteries - Keep the Faith

"Father, thank you for your truth. Thank you that you've given me your Holy Spirit to lead me to it and through it. Give me eyes and ears to see and hear a greater revelation of your truth, and strengthen me to carry more of what you have for me, even when I don't understand it yet, in Jesus' name. Amen!"

Key Concepts/Truths

If you serve God long enough, there will be good and bad things that happen that you can not explain, but don't throw away what you know to be true because of what you don't understand.

It is possible for both belief and unbelief to be present, acting as a counterweight in our mind.

Anybody can believe, but some people won't believe God. Those who do, change the world by doing the will of God.

Even though the disciples were unable to bring deliverance on their own, in the issue of the demon possessed man, they did not quit. Jesus came, healed and they saw the will of God come to pass.

Even though we come up against something that is counter to what we believe, we are to continue in the faith, trusting God, and seeing His will be done.

Jesus is perfect theology. 100% of the time, He did 100% of the will of God. He was so greatly connected to God and His will while being so disconnected from the world and its will.

Faith and unbelief reside in our heart. We may physically see with our eyes, but we truly see through our heart. Those who see through their heart take hold of what is promised.

In death, there is a difference between going to death and going through death. Jesus didn't go to death when He was crucified, He went through death to destroy the devil. Likewise, when we die, we go through death to glory with Jesus.

We can have the faith to receive something, but we will not receive it until we release our faith. Unbelief puts the brakes on our faith, and unforgiveness gives the devil an opportunity to attack our faith.

Key Verses:

Deuteronomy 29:29 • Acts 4:29-31 • Acts 5:10-11 • Acts 14:7-10 • Mark 6:4-6 • Mark 9:14-28 • Mark 11:25-26 • Luke 9:41 • Hebrew 9:14 • Ephesians 4:26-27 • Ephesians 6:12

Daily Application

As the twelve leaders from Israel were sent to seek out the promised land, they were met with a choice--to recognize what God said was true, or to trust in their own understanding and ability. What ultimately happened is that a majority of them sacrificed the land that God had already entrusted and given them in favor of their past. They chose not to enter into what God had for them because of their unbelief, lack of understanding, and little faith. Because of this, only Caleb and Joshua were blessed to enter the land because they remained faithful to God. They were able to walk in what God had for them because they held steadfast to His truth rather than their own understanding of the situation they faced.

We have that same opportunity everyday, to remain steadfast to what we know to be true.

What has God spoken to you that, beyond a shadow of a doubt, you can trust Him in?

He has spoken things directly to you through your spirit, through His Word, through dreams, visions, and impressions. These things are for a reason and through them He's calling you into what He has promised. Don't neglect opening your Bible. Keep reminding yourself of what you know to be true. Hold onto the truth and don't let it be taken from you simply because you've forgotten what your loving Father has said. Even in the things that we don't understand, God is still faithful to bring us where He will, and it's a life full of freedom walking in the spirit. He is a good God that gives good gifts, and we can trust His understanding over our own.

This Week's Declarations

"I receive God's truth in His word. I do not give up on the truth that I know because of what I do not yet understand. I take every opportunity to pray, forgive, believe, and receive what God has for me. I put to death my doubt and disbelief. I trust what my Father says and in His ability over my own. What I see with my natural eyes does not dictate what I see through the spiritual heart that God has given me and what I know to be true. I yield to the Holy Spirit and His leading into all truth, and I accept all that the Lord has for me, in Jesus' name!"

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.

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Deuteronomy 29:29 NKJV

“The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but those things which are revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law.

Mark 9:14-28 NKJV

And when He came to the disciples, He saw a great multitude around them, and scribes disputing with them. Immediately, when they saw Him, all the people were greatly amazed, and running to Him, greeted Him. And He asked the scribes, “What are you discussing with them?” Then one of the crowd answered and said, “Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. 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.” 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.” 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. So He asked his father, “How long has this been happening to him?” And he said, “From childhood. 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.” 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!” 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!” 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.” But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?”

Luke 9:41 NKJV

Then Jesus answered and said, “O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here.”

Mark 9:24 NKJV

Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, “Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!”

Mark 6:4-6 NKJV

But Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his own country, among his own relatives, and in his own house.” Now He could do no mighty work there, except that He laid His hands on a few sick people and healed them. And He marveled because of their unbelief. Then He went about the villages in a circuit, teaching.

1 Peter 5:8 NKJV

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

1 Corinthians 13:12 KJV

For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.

2 Peter 1:3 NKJV

as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue,

Psalms 103:3 NKJV

Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases,

Exodus 15:26 NKJV

and said, "If you diligently heed the voice of the Lord your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. .For I am the Lord who heals you.

Matthew 8:17 NKJV

that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying:"He Himself took our infirmities And bore our sicknesses."

1 Peter 2:24 NKJV

who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.

1 Timothy 6:12 NKJV

Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

John 10:10 NKJV

The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.