



Beyond the Sermon

A Sermon Application Guide

Title: Faith that Marvels Jesus (From Promise to Possession pt 2)

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

Message Theme

Faith That Moves

Prayer Focus

Lord, thank You for the gift of faith that transforms and draws me closer to Your truth. Help me to nurture the seed of Your Word in my heart and stand firm on Your promises. May Your presence envelop me as I call on Jesus' name. Let Your divine power work through me according to Your will. In the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

Key Truths

Biblical faith is transformative; it's believing deeply in God's truth to the point that it reshapes your life. Our faith increases when we grow our confidence in God. We can believe for anything the Father says in the Bible. While we cannot compel God to act outside His will or do something new, we can stand firm in faith, knowing He's faithful to accomplish what He's already spoken. This is faith, believing God for what He's already done.

Once the seed of Scripture is planted in our hearts, it must be nurtured and watered with care and intention. It requires time, attention, and a heart set on Him. Whatever we choose to plant into our hearts will eventually produce fruit. The enemy seeks to distract and manipulate us, sowing the cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches, and fleshly desires that can choke out the truth.

Gravity, a universal law, mirrors the nature of faith—unchanging and reliable, no matter where you stand on the planet. When we pray in Jesus' name, it's as though His presence fills the room. We can access the same divine power He demonstrated during His time on Earth through His name.

Practical Application

It's often easier to pray and stand in faith for someone else because you aren't fully aware of their struggles or how broken they may feel. It might be harder to believe on their behalf if you knew. But when you pray for yourself, you face the challenge of seeing your past mistakes and failures.

Instead of dwelling on those, shift your focus to God's promises—His faithfulness and grace sustain our prayers and grow our faith.

Reference Verses

- 2 Thessalonians 1:3
- Romans 10:17, 4:21, 1:17, 3:27, 1:16-17, 10:8
- 2 Peter 1:2-5
- Hebrews 11:6
- 1 Corinthians 3:6
- Mark 4:28, 4:19
- 1 Peter 2:2
- Acts 10:38
- Matthew 8:5-13
- Ephesians 3:20-21

Declarations

- I stand in unwavering faith, rooted in the Word of God, knowing He's faithful to complete what He has spoken.
- As I nurture God's truth, my faith strengthens and produces lasting fruit.
- In Jesus' name, I call on heaven's power and walk boldly in the promises already secured for me.

What's Next?

It's not enough to simply acknowledge the truth of God's word; we must act on it. These steps will help you cultivate a dynamic faith that transforms your life and allows you to experience the fullness of God's promises.

Step 1: Cultivate Your Heart with God's Word

This week's message emphasizes that faith grows by hearing the Word of God, and that our hearts determine the harvest. To apply this, commit to regular, intentional study of the Bible. Don't just passively read; actively engage with the text. Meditate on God's promises, and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal how they apply to your specific situation. Like a farmer preparing the ground, cultivate your heart by removing the "cares of this world," the "deceitfulness of riches," and the "desire for other things" that can choke the Word. Water the seed of faith in your heart through prayer and continued study, allowing it to take root and grow.

Step 2: Believe and Declare God's Promises

Faith believes that God's promises are true, true for you, and true for you now. Identify specific promises in Scripture that address your needs and desires. Instead of focusing on your circumstances or limitations, focus on what God has said. Declare these promises out loud, speaking God's Word over your life and situation. This is an act of faith that aligns your words with God's truth. Remember the example of the woman with the issue of blood; she repeatedly declared her belief until her faith led to action and healing.

Step 3: Act on Your Authority with Boldness

The message highlights that believers have been given authority in Jesus' name. To apply this, recognize and exercise the authority you have. This involves speaking to the "problems" or "sicknesses" in your life and commanding them to go, just as the centurion understood authority. Don't be passive; take action in faith,

believing that your words, spoken in Jesus' name, have power. Step out in boldness, trusting that God's power is at work in you, and that He will honor your faith-filled actions.

By consistently cultivating your heart with God's Word, believing and declaring His promises, and acting on your authority with boldness, you can move from mental assent to a living, active faith. This kind of faith pleases God, receives His provision, and transforms your reality, allowing you to experience the full measure of what He has already provided for you.

Scripture References

Faith That Marvels Jesus

2 Thessalonians 1:3 NKJV We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is fitting, because your faith grows exceedingly...

Romans 10:17 NKJV So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Romans 4:21 KJV ... and being fully persuaded...

Romans 1:17 NKJV ... from faith to faith...

2 Peter 1:3 NKJV ...as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness...

2 Peter 1:4 NKJV ...by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises...

Hebrews 11:6 NKJV But without faith it is impossible to please Him for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

1 Corinthians 3:6 NKJV I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase.

1 Peter 2:2 NKJV as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby...

Mark 4:1-8 NKJV REF And again He began to teach by the sea. And a great multitude was gathered to Him, so that He got into a boat and sat *in it* on the sea; and the whole multitude was on the land facing the sea. Then He taught them many things by parables, and said to them in His teaching: "Listen! Behold, a sower went out to sow. And it happened, as he sowed, *that* some *seed* fell by the wayside; and the birds [[a](#)]of the air came and devoured it. Some fell on stony ground, where it did not have much earth; and immediately it sprang up because it had no depth of earth. But when the sun was up it was scorched, and because it had no root it withered away. And some *seed* fell among thorns; and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no [[b](#)]crop. But other *seed* fell on good ground and yielded a crop that sprang up, increased and produced: some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some a hundred."

Mark 4:19 NKJV ... and the cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things entering in choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.

Mark 4:28 NKJV ...For the earth yields crops by itself: first the blade, then the head, after that the full grain in the head.

James 2:19 NKJV You believe that there is one God. You do well. Even the demons believe—and tremble!

James 2:26 NKJV For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

Romans 3:27 NKJV By what law? Of works? No, but by the law of faith.

Mark 5:28 NKJV For she said, “If only I may touch His clothes, I shall be made well.”

Mark 5:34 NKJV And He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well.”

Matthew 8:5-10 NKJV Now when Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, pleading with Him, saying, “Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented.” And Jesus said to him, “I will come and heal him.” The centurion answered and said, “Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed. For I also am a man under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to this one, ‘Go,’ and he goes; and to another, ‘Come,’ and he comes; and to my servant, ‘Do this,’ and he does it.” When Jesus heard it, He marveled, and said to those who followed, “Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel!

Matthew 8:13 NKJV Then Jesus said to the centurion, “Go your way; and as you have believed, so let it be done for you.” And his servant was healed that same hour.

Ephesians 3:20 NKJV Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us...

Ephesians 3:21 NKJV ...to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.