

Standing on God's Word for the Fulness of Your Salvation

2 Corinthians 6:1-2 "We then, as workers together with Him also plead with you not to receive the grace of God in vain... Behold, <u>now</u> is the accepted time; behold, <u>now</u> is the day of salvation."

God does not want you to miss out on what Jesus Christ has provided for you through the work of the cross. Now, at this present moment in time, God exhorts you to receive the fulness of His grace for your salvation – for the forgiveness of your sins, healing of your diseases, deliverance from the pit of destruction, and the crowning of your life with His love. (Psalm 103:3-4)

How do you receive what Jesus Christ already purchased for you with His precious blood?

Mk. 11:24 ... whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.

By believing that you have received the things you asked for, when you prayed or were prayed for. Sometimes, people see the manifestation of their salvation instantly and at other times people see it hours, days, weeks or months later. Do not allow the delay to cause you to doubt God's answer. Receiving often first occurs in the spirit realm, before it manifests in the natural realm.

Doubt Do Without

Doubt is wavering between the natural facts or symptoms and the Truth, God's Word (Jn. 17:18). In the area of healing, the facts and symptoms may declare, "You are sick and/or you may never get well." But, what does God's Word declare? Based on the superior reality of what has already taken place through Jesus' triumphant work of the cross, it declares "By Jesus' stripes you were healed." 1 Peter 2:24 Don't allow the enemy to gain a foothold in your thinking, by causing you to question or doubt God's Word.

You Have a Choice

You have a choice, just as Adam and Eve did, whose words you will accept, believe, and obey. Elijah said to the Israelites, "How long will you falter (waver) between two opinions? If the LORD is God, follow Him; but if Baal (satan), follow him." 1 Kings 18:21

Allowing your mind to waver between the mind of Christ and the mind of satan, which are two diametrically opposed mindsets, will cause you to feel "up" one minute and "down" the next. To receive your request, keep the negative words, thoughts and opinions that contradict God's Word out of your mind and mouth.

"But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a doubleminded man, unstable in all his ways." James 1:6-7

What can you do, when these negative thoughts and pictures come knocking at the door of your mind? You must deny their entrance, thereby rendering them powerless to influence you!

"Casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ." 2 Corinthians 10:5

Strengthen Yourself in the Lord

Abraham and Sarah were given God's Word that they would bear children. From the perspective of natural facts and reasoning, God's Word seemed impossible. What Abraham chose to do in the waiting period, between God's Word given to them and the Word coming to pass, is what you will need to choose to do, if you desire God's Word to prevail in your life.

"And not being weak in faith, he did not consider his own body, already dead (since he was about a hundred years old), and the deadness of Sarah's womb. He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform." Romans 4:19-20

Do not consider or fix your thoughts on how impossible your situation is, causing yourself to waver at God's promise. Remember that the power to produce the promise did not come from Abraham or Sarah but rather from God, as their bodies were "already dead." So, don't get discouraged if your situation is beyond all natural possibilities.

Instead, fix your thoughts on God and His Word. Begin to praise and thank Him for the superior reality of what Jesus Christ has already provided for you. (Ps. 103:3-5) As you do this, your faith in God to fulfill His promise, His Word, will be strengthened.

Take God's Word as Your Final Authority

The New Testament is God's written "will" for you. It is not signed with ink, but with the blood of His Son, Jesus Christ. Act upon God's Words, as you would a legal will or trust, possessing what rightfully belongs to you.

Pray: "that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him the eyes of your understanding being enlightened..." Eph. 1:17 -18

Meditate on God's Word, thinking and speaking it throughout the day "... for then you will have good success." Joshua 1:8

Boldly Declare: God's Word, His Truth, having your mouth work for you and not against you.

- 1. Find a few bible verses that declare your salvation (healing, wholeness, deliverance...) in Christ. Begin to declare them out loud over your heart and situation throughout the day. For healing, use our prayer resources: "Healing Scriptures" or "Who I am in Christ."
- 2. Personalize the scriptures by putting the personal pronoun "I" or your name in the verse as you declare them out loud. Example: "By His stripes (I or your name) was healed." 1 Peter 2:24.
- 3. Picture Jesus Himself compassionately smiling at you and declaring His Word for your salvation. Example: Hear Jesus say to you, "By My stripes you were healed." 1 Peter 2:24
- 4. Write down the date when you prayed or were prayed for, believing that you received your salvation (healing, restoration, miracle...) (Mk. 11:24)
- 5. When satan tempts you to doubt, declare: "It is written...(insert scripture)," just as Jesus did, when He was tempted to doubt.

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