

## **Fundamentals Of Faith**

### **(The Power of Words)**

Jesus released His faith with words and He spoke to things. Faith is released by actions, but also by words.

God releases His faith by words. In **Genesis 1**, “and God said, and it was so...and God said, and it was so...and God said, and it was so.”

**Isaiah 55:11** – “So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.”

God does things through His Words. God is a Spirit...We are just like our Father, we are speaking spirits, that live in body.

**Colossians 3:17** – “And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.”

God has given us authority that is released in words. We speak, and it is so – whether good or bad.

### **Jesus released His faith by His words.**

**Mark 4:39** – “Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, ‘Peace, be still!’ And the wind ceased and there was a great calm.”

**Luke 4:39** – “So He stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. And immediately she arose and served them.”

**Mark 11:14** – “In response Jesus said to it [the Fig Tree], ‘Let no one eat fruit from you ever again.’ And His disciples heard it.”

### **How do you deal with the devil? Spoken Words!**

**Matthew 8:16** – “When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick,”

**Matthew 8:9** – “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.”

**Matthew 8:13** – “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.”

**James 2:26** – “For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.”

Death in the Bible speaks of separation. Your body dies when your spirit separates from it. What is dead faith? It is when faith in your heart is separated from your natural circumstances.

You can have faith in your heart and it not impact your natural situation. Faith must be released (words and action). You can have faith in your heart for healing and die of sickness.

**Acts 14:8-10** – “And in Lystra a certain man without strength in his feet was sitting, a cripple from his mother’s womb, who had never walked. This man heard Paul speaking. Paul, observing him intently and seeing that he had faith to be healed, said with a loud voice, ‘Stand up straight on your feet!’ And he leaped and walked.”

Paul released his faith by saying, “Stand up straight on your feet!” and the man released his faith by getting up, leaping, and walking.

**II Corinthians 4:13** – “And since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, ‘I BELIEVED AND THEREFORE I SPOKE,’ **we also believe and therefore speak,**” That’s releasing your faith.

Faith and fear are both released by words. Words are containers for faith or fear.

**Proverbs 4:23** – “Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues [Hebrew – “boundaries”] of life.”

**Luke 6:45** – “A good man out of the good treasure (or deposits) of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.”

### **The Importance of Our Words**

**Proverbs 18:21** – “Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit.” The forces of death and life are released by our words.

**Matthew 15:11** – “Not what goes into the mouth defiles a man; but what comes out of the mouth, this defiles a man.”

**Matthew 12:37** – “For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.”

When you accepted Jesus and confessed Him as Lord you were justified because of your words.

**Revelation 12:11** – “And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.”

### **Staying Out of the Ditch**

There are extremes we can get into with any biblical subject. These extremes are called “ditches.” The same goes with our confession. There are ditches with confession.

**Speaking in the wrong direction. God said to speak to your mountain, not to Him about your mountain.**

Many Christians get off when confessing the Word because they are speaking in the wrong direction. They confess the Word at God with great rapidity and emphasis. This shows they are trying to convince God.

There is a confession unto faith. This is hearing the Word so we come to a place of persuasion. However, this type of confession is for us, not God. This does not make God do anything.

There is a confession of faith. This is releasing our faith by our words. We don't need to confess the Word to God. He is already persuaded! He also has already provided.

Calling those things that are as if they were not...This is backward from the Biblical example...

**Romans 4:17** – “(as it is written, ‘I have made you a father of many nations) in the presence of Him whom he believed – God, who gives life to the dead and **calls those things which do not exist as though they did;**”

Faith is not denying facts in the natural. In **Genesis 1**, God did not say, “There is no darkness!” He said, “Light be!” Faith does not deny the natural, but it just doesn't give the natural the last say.

It is important where you put your “but.” “I have flu symptoms in my body, **but by His stripes I have been healed.**”

“I don't have any money in my checking account, **but God supplies all my need according to His riches in glory.**”

Faith is released by words. God the Father and Jesus both release their faith by words. Our words have power in our natural circumstances.

Here's good confession for you to wake up with and go to bed with.

**I'm a blood bought, spirit taught, pew jumping, devil thumping, tongue talking, spirit walking, word quoting, demon smoten, healing, kneeling child of God.**

**I'm healthy, I'm wealthy, I'm wise and I'm good looking!**