

FAITH COMES FROM THE WORD



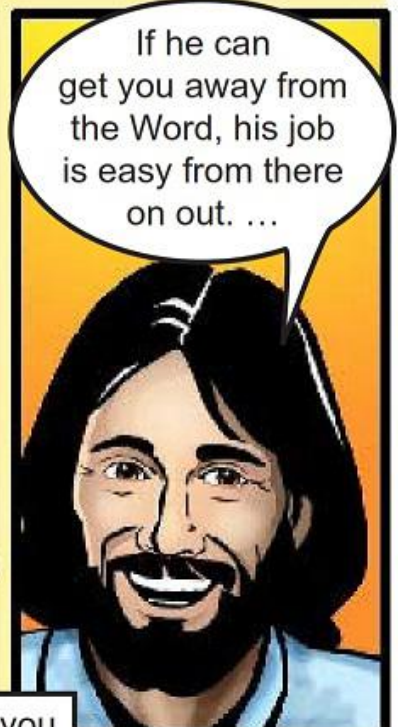
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His more common tactic is to gently, slowly pull you away from the Word, away from your life-source, away from what he knows will keep you strong regardless of what he tries.



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So, dear Family, whatever you do, don't neglect the Word!

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You Can't have Faith without My Word. ⁽¹⁾

The way you grow in faith is through the Word--not just reading it, but receiving it, believing it, accepting it and applying it. ⁽²⁾

It's a law of the spirit that faith comes through hearing and studying My Word. The more time you spend drinking in My Word and storing it deep within you, then the better your faith ballast will be. ⁽³⁾

You, My children, are not children of this world. You are children of My Word. If the Word were taken out of your lives, you would die spiritually. You would become lifeless. I am bringing you to greater dependence on Me, and when you walk this road you will find that your very survival, your very life, depends on just that - Me and My Word.

If you don't get the power needed from My Word, if you don't get the energy, the drive, the passion, the determination, the faith from My Word, you will not succeed. You need My Word. ⁽⁴⁾

No matter how grand your intentions, no matter how enthusiastic you are about serving Me and doing great works in My Name, no matter how much you want to remain strong and unswayed by the attacks of the Enemy in your life, this will never be enough if you're not connected to Me and strong in My Word!

Faith--the faith that keeps your spirit strong, the faith that helps you to see things through My eyes, the faith that keeps you forging on for Me--is only found through faithful study of My Word. You've got to read it, absorb it, drink it in, and let it change you and strengthen you. Otherwise you'll continue to weaken, and the Enemy will continue fighting you until he's rendered you totally useless and you'll fizzle out and fade into oblivion.

No one is strong enough to stand on their own without the Word. Without that strong standard in your life, without the ballast that keeps you stable, you will be blown about with every wind of doctrine and your faith will crumble. That's a fact! Faith is built by faithful study of My Word, and that's the truth! Faith is not automatic; it must be fed and nurtured through the Word. ⁽⁵⁾

Faith comes by hearing and reading My Word. Although you may not see your faith growing, nevertheless this is true, and something that you must believe and accept by faith. Reading and believing and accepting My Word increases your faith, so as you do this as a body, this will also increase your faith and unity as a body. ⁽⁶⁾

I reward you with faith when you choose to believe Me and obey Me by reading My Word (Romans 10:17). ⁽⁷⁾

As you are faithful to bathe yourself in My Word, I will renew your faith, and your foundation will be one that will stand strong, and your house will not crumble and be swept away. ⁽⁸⁾

You have heard of the saying, "*where there is life there is hope*," and this is true of your spiritual life. The life is My Word, because that is what gives you hope for any situation. If you have lost hope, then you need more Word. It gives you faith, and as long as you have faith, anything can happen. The best way to have My Spirit is by feeding on My Word and letting it enter you, fill you, feed you, and give you faith, hope and power--power for whatever you need, including strength to overcome your weak areas.

The more you read, the more strength you'll have, and the more the Word will give you the power to overcome and to get over the obstacles with less self-effort. It will give you the conviction to put into action the things you want to do, the things you know you should do, to be obedient and to have all the fruits of the Spirit that you so desire. But you must really soak in the Word and absorb My truths on whatever topic it is you want to grow in. You have to do the "venting," but reading the Word will give you the supernatural strength to do the "venting." You can of yourself do nothing and you are nothing, but as you read the Word, it will begin to give you the strength and the inspiration to live in My Spirit and do things the way I would do them, which is loving and helpful and full of life and joy.

My Word can make you into anything you want to be. It's really so simple. You become what you read because the Word, if you read enough of it, will fill your mind and heart so much that you will become one with it, and its strength and power will help you to be whatever you need to be. If you want more faith, then read, memorize, quote verses on faith, sing songs on the topic of faith, receive fresh wine from Me daily on specific incidents that you need faith for, and you will grow by leaps and bounds.

I have said that My Word does not return void. You cannot read My Word and remain void and empty and hopeless and helpless; it will accomplish the purpose whereunto it's sent and it will fill you and change you. If you eat My Word, you will be filled and have the nourishment and strength to do whatever you need to do. If you look to Me and receive My Word, you'll reflect Me and take on My nature, which is greater than any of the problems of man. ⁽⁹⁾

If you put My Word first, if you go to the Word for instruction, guidance, direction, and to get the strength you need, you will receive faith, and that faith will help to bring you into the future. This is the way that I have set it up to work. I have provided My Word; you must provide the time to study and absorb it. You must take the steps of commitment, faithfulness, and diligent study in order to receive My full blessing. I have done My part. Now you must do your part. ⁽¹⁰⁾

(Sonale speaking:) You need faith to believe that the Lord will do the miracles you are requesting, and you get that faith through His Word, by being strengthened by the promises He's given in His Word. ⁽¹¹⁾

The way to keep your faith at its optimum level so that you can handle life's challenges is to spend time at the source of faith--Me and My Word. ⁽¹²⁾

As you know, the best way to build your faith is through My Word. My Word changes not. It is Me! It is the written code of My Spirit. As your DNA is the code and information of all that you are, so My Word is My DNA, for it is the written code and information of all that I am.

By taking in My Word, you take in My spiritual DNA, the substance that will make you like Me. As you take Me in, you will begin to see more as I see, you will begin to understand with My understanding and wisdom, and thus you will be strengthened and enabled to face the battle, and to win. ⁽¹³⁾

Any of My dear children can become strong in faith. Any of My dear children can change their first reaction from that of being downcast and discouraged to being full of faith, trusting, and coming to Me for the answers. The secret to faith is in My Word--being full of it, and learning from it daily. For if you're faithful in the Word, you know that My Word is full of promises, and you know that I never fail in one of My good promises.

If you're faithful in My Word, you are also keeping your heart clean. For one cannot read and fully absorb My Word without growing and becoming cleaner. And when you come to Me with a clean heart, you can have full faith that I will answer. Not that you must be perfect, but you know that you're in My will, and that you're obeying those things which I've been speaking to you about. ⁽¹⁴⁾

Faith comes from My Word. So comfort yourselves through reading My Word. The more you read, the more you will see that I will not let anything happen to you that is not a part of My perfect plan. Arm yourself with faith through reading My Word and believing My promises. ⁽¹⁵⁾

Faith doesn't depend on the circumstances of the moment. It depends on what I have said, on My Word and My promises. ⁽¹⁶⁾

Feast on the Word and you fatten up faith. Neglect the Word, and faith is starved. ⁽¹⁷⁾

You must find faith in the Word. Even if it goes against the way you feel and the things that you see with your eyes, still, the Word is the truth. The Word is what is unchangeable. ⁽¹⁸⁾

(Dad speaking:) Everyone needs the Word, but when you're going through times of testing or battles, you need it all the more, because it's the Word that you stand on and that gives you faith for the battle. You have to keep going back to the Word and absorbing it as many times as you need to, for as long as you need to. You can't give up and just think, "Oh well, I guess I'll never get the victory, so why bother." You have to keep standing on the Word for as long as it takes, and simply trust that the Lord knows how long to keep you under the fires of His testings and purgings, and that He knows when to give you complete victory.

If you give up too soon and think, "Forget this fighting business. I'm tired of fighting with the Word. I'm tired of having to hang on to the Word so hard. I'll just forget it," then you go down into the pit a little further and it gets to be harder to keep the ground you've fought hard for and gained. It's a bigger fight for some people than others, and you can't really compare how you're doing with the other guy, because the Lord works differently in people's lives.

You have faith as long as you hold on to the Word.--Maybe not as much faith as you would like to have, but if you keep hanging on, the Lord will honor it and bless you with a miracle, a real breakthrough. But some people give up too soon, get weary with the fight and throw it all away, all the progress that they've made, all the faith that they've had.

You only need a mustard seed of faith. That's all the Lord said you need, and that's enough for the battle. All you need is a little faith. Maybe some people think they have to have a big manifestation of faith in their lives, a big surge of faith for themselves in order to keep going, but the Lord just wants you to have enough faith for one day at a time. That keeps you coming back to Him, clinging to Him, needing Him and His Word for the next day. It's healthy to need the Word and to keep coming back to it over and over again for your strength and faith-building.

It's only when you lose the faith to cling to the Word and you cast it aside and figure it's not doing its job that you get in trouble--because it is doing its job, and the Lord uses His Word to strengthen His children. You just have to trust it and believe it and let it work in your life.

The Lord will keep all of His children through His Word, right through the Endtime and into the Rapture, if they'll just hang on in spite of their weaknesses and tests. He'll pull you through and bless you with a great victory and a life of service and usefulness, and He'll be very proud of you when He welcomes you Home into His arms. So just hang on! Hang on to His Word and hang on to the victory by faith. ⁽¹⁹⁾

Trust and build your faith block by block by reading My Word! It's there for you. It's free, it's at your disposal, and it's the key to victory and to rising above. So use it, read it, and wield it against the Enemy, and he won't be able to touch a hair of your head. You are protected; your shields are running at 100 percent. Keep them that way by refueling with the Word! You can do it! ⁽²⁰⁾

Take Me at My word! That's all there is to it! Then there will be no loss, only gain, as

you pave the way for the glorious future through your solid faith and belief in Me and what I promise to do for you and yours. ⁽²¹⁾

Let Me renew your convictions each day through My Word, and through My voice of personal prophecy. It's the Word that gives you faith, and faith is the foundation of conviction, and the fruit of strong conviction is obedience. ⁽²²⁾

You must look away from the Enemy's doubts, fears, worries, lies and accusations, and look to Me and My Word! You must continue to walk by faith and draw your faith from the power of My Word. For My Word has kept you all these years. My Word has faithfully kept you from the day of your rebirth until now, and it will continue to keep you until we are together in Heaven. ⁽²³⁾

Go to My Word with a renewed desperation. Cling to it, believe it, and reject and refuse all that is not in line with My Word. Your faith will be strengthened and the Enemy will retreat in terror. ⁽²⁴⁾

Only you who put My Word first, who make it your number-one priority to spend time with Me, who continue to cause the Word revolution to revolute your lives will receive the faith, trust, obedience, and vision needed to see you through to the end. ⁽²⁵⁾

Cast all your cares upon Me, for I care for you. This is My promise unto you, My precious children. But the reverse is also true. For if you have not the faith and the trust to commit all things unto Me, and to cast your cares into My loving hands, then I am not able to care for you fully and completely as I would like to.

So why the lack of faith? Why the lack of trust? Why do My children feel that they must bear the burdens, carry the weights, and work so hard in their own strength, and that if they do not, they will surely perish? Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God, and this is the ingredient that is lacking.

The strengthening which My Family needs through the Word is of utmost importance. This is the first step, and the others cannot be taken until this one has been taken. For when those who are strong in the Word and rich in faith step out on My promises, trusting Me completely to provide and supply their every need, I am able to meet them, fulfill My Word, and to work wondrous miracles! But these who have not had sufficient Word, who are weakened and lacking faith and trust, are not able to step out in full faith, for they lack the faith to believe that I am able to meet them. And because of this lack of faith, I am not able to meet them.

How I long for My children to be strengthened in faith through their feasting on My Word! Oh, what a simple answer--almost too simple, it would seem to some. Yet what a mighty door this little key is able to unlock! For it is the passageway into the world of My abundant supply, of My blessings, and of My answers to their prayers. ⁽²⁶⁾

Spiritual strength comes from Me--from abiding in Me, abiding in My Spirit. It is Mine to give, and I give it to those who feed heartily upon My Word, who cherish it, who draw their nourishment from it. For these are My true soldiers--those who desire true strength, those who have the faith to put other things aside and to feast upon My strengthening Spirit that comes from My Word. ⁽²⁷⁾

Those who determine to obey and cling tightly to the Word will find themselves on a strong foundation of faith, unmovable in the face of the Enemy's attacks.

My brides who hold to the Word, use the keys, and maintain a trusting spirit will remain in a protective bubble that will keep each one safe, well cared for, and in My perfect will. I hold each one in the palm of My hand, and will lovingly care for each of My children. I have a place of service and blessing for all who give their hearts and lives to Me. I will care for and provide a blessed place of service for all My children. ⁽²⁸⁾

If you're willing to be a doer of every part of My Word, and let the faith you receive from obedience to My Words propel you and move you, then you will work miracles for Me. ⁽²⁹⁾

For strong, durable, raising-the-dead, mountain-moving, storm-stopping, miracle-working, power-inducing, mind-blowing, bottle-breaking, limit-shattering, lying-lips-silencing, science-defying type faith, take daily doses of the Word. The Word will whip your faith into shape and jolt your faith into action. ⁽³⁰⁾

It's according to your faith, your belief in God's Word, that you will see the answers to your prayers come to pass. If you aren't seeing results, you know you simply have to go back to the Word and get the faith that you need. It's all built on the spiritual principle that 'faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.' Very basic, yet very important. Faith and the Word equal prayer power. You first get the Word in your heart, whereby you receive faith, then you claim the Word and take the stand and see the wonders of prayers that will be performed. ⁽³¹⁾

You have My Word. My Word does not fail. My Word is truth. If you hold on to My Word, you will make it. Heaven and Earth will pass away, but My Words will not pass away. Do you believe this? Even if you only have the faith to say, "I believe, help Thou my unbelief," I will do it. I will give you the faith as you read My Word. ⁽³²⁾

Childlike faith is like a pair of new glasses. When glasses are new, they are very clean and very clear. You put them on and you can see things so well. But as time goes by, the glasses become dirty and even get scratched. The older a pair of glasses is, the more you have to clean the lenses and care for them. That's like faith. As a child, your faith is very clean and clear, like a new pair of glasses. But as you become older, you will need to work a little harder to keep your faith strong, which is like cleaning and shining your glasses.

The more you wear your glasses of faith, the better your vision will become. You'll learn to see everything more as I see it! And don't worry if your glasses of faith become a little blurred or dirtied at times. That just means you need to take out the cleaner of the Word and polish them. And as you do, your faith will become strong once again, and you'll see things clearly once again! ⁽³³⁾

Most of all, you've got to keep your level of faith high. If you don't keep your faith strong through regularly receiving the Word, then it will weaken, and you will find yourself having to battle to regain that childlike faith that you once possessed. You do this through reading and believing the Word, putting the Word into practice in your life, meditating on it, giving yourself wholly to it and to Me. ⁽³⁴⁾

It's My Word that motivates you, that gives you the faith, vision, courage and initiative. It's My message that lights the fire in your hearts, that gives you the willingness to sacrifice and live a life for Me, a life of giving to others. ⁽³⁵⁾

Keeping the heavenly vision is easy--it just takes faith! Feed your faith with the Word, and then take what the Word says at face value. Believe each of My promises to you, and know in your heart that everything I've said is the truth and is really going to happen. ⁽³⁶⁾

Everything good comes from My Word--wisdom, anointing, faith, positiveness, the ability to cope with difficult situations, spiritual strength, understanding, and the list goes on. ⁽³⁷⁾

Great is your reward in Heaven for your faith to receive, to believe, and to live the Words of God. ⁽³⁸⁾

It takes faith to stand up to the lies of the Enemy. It takes faith in My Word. But with that mustard seed of faith there is great, great power--power to overcome, power to be strong in spirit, power against the lies of the Enemy, and power for the Endtime. Those of faith, those who stay close to Me and My Word, are very strong in spirit and have the power to stand up to the lies of the Enemy.

People don't realize the tremendous blessing and power of My Word! Sometimes even My children don't realize how great a power they're wielding, and how their faith in My Word is keeping them and protecting them from many attacks of the Enemy. One little Word shall fell him. ⁽³⁹⁾

Drink in the Pure Waters of David and Your Faith will Increase

I am very clearly, precisely, and strategically addressing the fundamental foundation of your faith--My Word. I am addressing the foundation of the Family--My living Word and all that I have given through My David and Maria. ⁽⁴⁰⁾

You must study My Word, both old and new, so that you know the principles of faith and truth. ⁽⁴¹⁾

Walk in faith, and receive in faith all that I have to give you--all My Words, the kisses of My Love that I am pouring out to you. Believe and receive and drink them in with a believing heart in full assurance of faith, and they will be life and strength and health to you. They will be a guiding light upon your path to bring you out of the darkness into My light. For My Words are Spirit and Life and Light! ⁽⁴²⁾

Look not upon the circumstances, wondering how My Word and the Words of David can be true, but rather look at My Word and the Words of David with faith, expecting to see their fulfillment. All that I have spoken will come to pass, and every jot and tittle of My Word will be fulfilled. ⁽⁴³⁾

Continue to hold on by faith to the Words of David, and the wonderful Words and promises that I have given unto you, and you shall see each and every one fulfilled. For none of My Words can fail. ⁽⁴⁴⁾

Your love for Me will be manifested in your desire to seek Me deeply through My Word. I want to bless you even more. I want My Word to dwell in you more richly. You can become much richer than you already are by receiving My New Wine. Get ambitious! Ask, pursue, linger with Me and never tire, but earnestly and desperately desire My Word. Go after it with all you've got! ⁽⁴⁵⁾

The keys of revolution, faith, conviction and determination will help you drink in the pure waters of the words of David. Then your faith will increase, and you'll be strengthened and grow in the use of the new weapons so you can carry out your mission in this world. ⁽⁴⁶⁾

(Dad speaking:) The bottom line, folks, is that you are a very different and unique breed of Christians! You're being trained for a very special and specific purpose, which no other Christians in the world are being trained for. For your mission and task you need stronger meat; you need the undiluted, pure truth, and that comes from the New Wine. That's the only thing that will truly increase and strengthen your faith! ⁽⁴⁷⁾

If you want to survive on the intravenous drip of churchianity, then be My guest, but

you'll never get out of bed. If you want to lead an active lifestyle for Me, you need the meat and potatoes of My Word for today! Otherwise you'll be bedridden like the churches.

Ditch the drip and dive into the meat of My Word and be strengthened for the active lifestyle of a revolutionary in the Last Days, instead of being a bedridden invalid living on yesterday's leftovers. ⁽⁴⁸⁾

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