The Spirit Of The Message Pt22

Faith

HEBREWS 11:1

1. Now *faith is the substance* of things hoped for, *the evidence* of things not seen.

DEMONOLOGY (PHYSICAL REALM) [53-0608A]

...sight and time is God's worst enemy in Divine healing.

THE SECOND MIRACLE [51-0729E]

As I told you before, many times, <u>time and sight is the worse enemies that God has</u>, time and sight. You look, and neither one of them declares anything about God. You want it done spontaneously, when God takes His time about things. And <u>let's just</u> believe whatever's said.

II CORINTHIANS 4:17-18

- 17. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory;
- 18. While <u>we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen</u>: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

LUKE 17:5-6

- 5. And the apostles said unto the Lord, <u>Increase our faith</u>.
- 6. And the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and it should obey you.

MARK 9:23-24

- 23. Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, <u>all things are possible</u> to him that believeth.
- 24. And straightway the father of the child cried out, and said with tears, **Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief**.

ROMANS 10:17

17. So then *faith cometh by hearing*, and hearing by *the word of God*.

HEBREWS 4:12

12. For <u>the word of God is quick</u>, and <u>powerful</u>, and <u>sharper than any twoedged sword</u>, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

ONENESS [62-0211]

Now, <u>the Word of God is a Sword</u>. Hebrews, the 4th chapter, says so, Hebrews 4:12. Now, it is a Sword. And <u>a sword is perfect dormant if it isn't yielded by a hand or a power</u>. And it... but it takes a hand to hold the Sword. And take <u>the hand that holds</u> this Sword, is the hand of faith.

Now, that hand of faith, <u>it depends on how strong it is</u>. This hand of faith might just be strong enough to cut a little hole through the darkness and say, "By faith I'm saved." That's a great cut, but, then, if that's all the stronger that hand is to yield that Sword, that's all it can cut. But, if it's a strong hand, it'll cut plumb through everything the Devil can put out there, make every promise of God shine forth in the power of His resurrection. If it's a strong hand of faith, "The days of miracles! Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever," cut its way through. <u>It depends on the power of the hand behind the Sword</u>.

And the Sword is plenty sharp. Hebrews 4, said, "It's sharper than a two-edged sword that cuts both coming and going, and even goes to the--the marrow of the bone, and in the joints, and a discerner of the thoughts of the heart." Goes beyond the physical, it goes into the spiritual realm and picks up the thoughts of the heart and reveals them. The Spirit of God, the Word of God.

Now, that Word will cut in there if there's enough arm behind It to push It in, it'll find Its place and cut every promise out and give It to you, if you just got the strong enough arm behind It. The Sword, pick It up in an arm--an arm of faith! Grip It tight, hold onto It and walk into the face of the enemy. How can that uncircumcised enemy ever stand in the Presence of the Eternal God? So, you take the Sword of the Word, and every promise belongs to you. Pick It up in a strong hand of faith, walk forward! If you need healing, cut it out with the Word, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever." If you need salvation, every promise in the Bible is yours. It's laying back in there and Satan's trying to hide it, but take the Sword and push through the darkness until the Light of God shines in upon your soul and you have the promise. He'll do it.

PERSEVERANCE [62-0218]

And when a <u>hand of faith</u> can pick up God's Word, <u>it'll do the same thing Jesus did</u>. "The works that I do shall you do also."

Maybe you can cut just a little, maybe you got a weak hand of faith, you can cut enough off to say, "Well, I can see enough daylight to see I'm saved." But what about the other promises? If you got a strong hand of faith, pick up the full Word of God and cut right on through every darkness, amen, until the Light of God shines in, and look face to face with God, standing on His Word.

II TIMOTHY 3:16-17

- 16. <u>All scripture</u> is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:
- 17. That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

PERSEVERANT [63-0802]

And when people are dueling, like if the two men meet, and with these knives they're--they're dueling. That's you, and the devil trying to get you to doubt. Now, your sword that you've got, may be ever so good, it's a million times better than his. I'm going to tell you, his is not even a sword, it's a stick. But yours is a sword. But if the hand that holds that sword is weak, the stick can overcome it. But no matter how little this hand is, if it holds the Word of God, with faith, there is nothing going to do it. It can put anything down.

You see, he is holding in his right hand, and you in your right hand; and when your swords lock, when you lock with the devil, "Is It so, or not so?" Now he is pressing to you, "Say It's wrong, It's wrong! You mustn't believe It."

But if you believe It! See, these swords come right straight down to the handles. Now if I can push his back, with my handle, the blade, like that, where am I at? I'm directed right straight to his heart, 'cause I'm on the right side, at his left. And then when I am pressing with faith, with the Word, "Satan, Jesus Christ commissioned me to do this," and we lock. And raise up with that hand of faith, and say, "An Angel of God met me yonder, and said It's so." The first thing you know, throws the sword right straight in, and he's conquered. "I come to challenge you! And THUS SAITH THE LORD." That's the believer, when he has faith to handle the Word.

Now if you're just a little denominational weakling, you better keep away from it; you'll go around, talk about it, and say it can't happen, because you don't know nothing about it. But that man who has handled it, and seen it conquer that enemy, he knows what it'll do.

MATTHEW 9:29

29. Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you.

LUKE 7:50 And he said to the woman, **Thy faith hath saved thee**; go in peace.

LUKE 8:48a

48a. And he said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole;

LUKE 17:19 And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.

LUKE 18:42 And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight: thy faith hath saved thee.