



JESUS WORLD OUTREACH CENTER

Possessing Faith Study Notes

1. Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live **by his faith. Habakkuk 2:4**

a. **By His Faith** – To own or possess something, work is involved

b. **Faith is a lifestyle** – It's the way we live – Faith always requires you to do something.

2. James 2:20

Are you willing to be shown [proof], you foolish (unproductive, spiritually deficient) fellow, that faith apart from [good] works is inactive *and* ineffective *and* worthless?

a. When you are unproductive and spiritually deficient where faith is concerned or where the Word is concerned; you will be inactive, ineffective and worthless in what you are believing for.

b. How much faith do I have in my heart account right now? Is it enough to handle situations and circumstance? Is it enough to produce victory in my every day my life? If not it's time to make some large deposits and investments where the Word of God is concerned.

3. Proverbs 21:25

Despite their desires the lazy will come to ruin for their hands refuse to work. AMP

a. Many people want results but unwilling to do the work of faith They wait until something happens then they try to do what the Word says.

b. Remember No deposit of the Word in your life, No return (results)

4. 2 Corinthians 8:11

Now therefore perform the doing of it that is there was a readiness to will, so there may be a performance also out of that which you have. The word have means to possess, or to own.

- a. We have many people trying to act on something they don't have. They read someone's book or hear someone's testimony, get excited and try to do what the person has done without doing the work. Then become disappointed and say this faith stuff don't work.
- b. Have is about investing ourselves in the Word, to take ownership and make it personal for us.
- c. You can know all the right things to say, you can hear the Word and even repeat it back, but It's only by taking personal ownership of the Word will it become real and effective in our lives. We must invest the Word in our lives

How do I make the Word mine? You must make an environment of success

5. Joshua 1:8

This book of the law shall not depart out thy mouth but thou shalt meditate therein day and night that thou may observe to do according to all that is written therein for the thou shalt make thy way prosperous and then thou shalt have good success

- a. **Speaking the Word** – Every time you get the opportunity to speak the Word speak it. In Deuteronomy 6:7 you shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. It's not just when you are praying and feeling spiritual.
- b. **Time:** Day and Night

- c. **Meditate** “Fix your thoughts on what is true and good and right. Think about things that are pure and lovely, and dwell on the fine, good things in others. Think about all you can praise God for and be glad about” (Philippians 4:8, TLB)
Meditating on the Word gives insight, supernatural wisdom and spiritual success.

- d. **Observe To Do**-to conform one’s action or put into practice the word.
Even in the toughest situation I will Refuse to change when pressure comes
I will not back down

Points We Have Made

- a. I must make Faith personal
- b. Faith is my lifestyle, it’s the way I live, and it requires me to do something
- c. I can’t be unproductive and spiritually deficient where the Word is concerned and expect faith results. I must put in the work. If I don’t deposit anything, I can’t expect a return.
- d. I can’t be a lazy person, I can’t have a desire for something to come to pass and do nothing.

Making my way prosperous means I will rise about circumstances, come out of every situation, take back what the enemy has stolen and enjoy my inheritance.