

FAITH THAT MOVES GOD!!!

Review Week 3/Murderers Row

Week 4 -----HOW GOD INCREASES OUR FAITH

As we have discussed all through this Course, trust is the basis of Faith. Today we will look at ways God Increases our Faith {Trust } in him.

I

Telling the Truth & Setting us Free

John 14:6

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the *truth* and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

John 8:31-32 To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. **32** Then you will know the *truth*, and the truth will set you *free*."

Remember when you first studied the Bible, as the scriptures came alive and the scales fell from your eyes. How excited you were as Jesus told you the truth about the heavenly realms, this world and finally yourself.

What were and are some of God's Truth's that help you have Faith????!!

What did God set you free from that impacted you the most???

II

Miracles, Wonders and Signs

Acts 2:22 "Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by *miracles, wonders* and *signs*, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know.

Hebrews 2:3b-4 This *salvation*, which was first announced by the Lord, was confirmed to us by those who heard him. 4 God also testified to it by *signs, wonders* and various *miracles*, and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

God increases our faith through miracles, wonders and signs. Now let's be honest our fellowship of Churches has been so focused on Sound Doctrine, that this realm of topic does not get its just do. But God testifies and confirms Salvation through *signs, wonders and various miracles. If we don't get more comfortable with this area of our Christian lives, we miss out on a greater faith and a **FAITH THAT MOVES GOD!!!!*** What do you mean?

Let's Take Salvation, God Who is Described in Psalm as: Majestic, The King forever and ever, Righteous, Upright, a Rock, a Refuge, a Shield, a Stronghold, Worthy of Praise, Flawless, Perfect, Trustworthy, Pure, Strong and Mighty, a Fortress, a Deliverer, a Savior. {Now that was just the First 24 Chapters of a 150 chapter book.}

*Takes Us Described in Romans As: **Unrighteous, No Understanding, Not Seeking, Turning Away, Worthless, No Good, Grave Throat-ed, Deceitful Tongue having, Poisoned Lips, Cursing, Bitter, Murderous, Ruined, Miserable, No Peace Having, No Fear of the Almighty God Selves***

Colossians 1:22 But now he has *reconciled* you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation—

2 Corinthians 5:20 We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be *reconciled* to God.

AND HE: Reconciled, Made Holy, Without Blemish, Free From Accusation- You were made an Ambassador.

*So as we spoke about in Week One of **FAITH THAT MOVES GOD***

Jesus is our Heavenly Advocated---

We Become Jesus Earthly Ambassadors---

WHAT A MIRACLE

That's why I love studying the Bible with People. I get to see God move and change peoples hearts. The Miracle of reconciliation {Salvation} takes place before my very eyes and gives me faith that God 's Truth is Real!!!! I see the truth of his word go to work.

Scary question to ask but, tell us one miracle, wonder or sign in your life?!

III

HOW GOD INCREASES OUR FAITH

HE IS FAITHFUL!!!

Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

James 1:17 Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not **change** like shifting shadows.

And My Second Favortite scripture behind Ephesians 3:20-21

II Timothy 2:11-13 Here is a trustworthy saying:

If we died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him.

If we disown him, he will also disown us; if we are faithless, he remains **faithful**, for he cannot disown himself.

Even when we are Faithless he is *Faithful*