



Freedom in the Word

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HOLD FAST

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Hebrews 10:23 - Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for He is faithful that promised) Holding fast means unswerving in our confession and commitment to what God has promised in His Word.

The eyes of faith will see the invisible until it becomes visible. We must hang on to the experiential of what God has been faithful to do in the past plus the substance of what we are currently hoping for. When we waver it is the result of doubt and having faith in the thing that we fear. (Job 3:25) We are programmed by this world to have faith in the sense realm. (Especially what we hear and see)

So we look to Abraham, the Father of Faith, for our example and encouragement. Romans 4:18 - When everything was hopeless, Abraham believed anyway, deciding to live not on the basis of what he saw he couldn't do but on what God said he would do. (The Message) I especially love the first phrase. Holding fast believes God anyway without wavering. Verse 19 says that Abraham was not weak in faith because of verse 20, "He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief." Abraham believed on the basis of what God said. When we fully believe we become like Abraham, fully persuaded that what God has promised He will also perform. (Romans 4:21)

James 1:6-8 - But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavers is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double minded man is unstable in all his ways. A faith-man holds fast, a double minded man wavers.

Elijah said in 1 Kings 18:21, "How long will you waver between two opinions, if the Lord is God follow Him; but if Baal is God, follow him." If Jesus Christ is Lord today, follow Him. Don't straddle the fence of mental assent and the truth of God's Word. (John 16:13) We must stay in the arena of faith. We need faith accountability partners who won't allow us to become negative and fearful. We want friends with sharp swords (Hebrews 4:12) who are consistently constant to remind us what God said.

Do you have an Abraham (Romans 4:18-22) or an Elijah (1 Kings 18:21) to remind you what God has said? If not, be like David, encourage yourself in the Lord your God. (1 Samuel 30:6) Hold fast and do not waver; be fully persuaded because God is faithful!

SERVE SOMEBODY

Katie Brigmon

I heard a story many years ago about a godly woman that had an unbelieving husband. He resented the time she spent at church. One Sunday morning the man pulled a gun on his wife and told her that he would shoot her if she went to church that day. She reached for her purse. The husband said, "Where do you think you're going?"

The wife answered, "If you pull that trigger, I'm going to heaven, if you don't I'm going to church."

That woman was fully persuaded in her commitment to God wasn't she?

Bob Dylan wrote a song many years ago called 'You Gotta Serve Somebody'. The words are: "You may be an ambassador to England or France....but you're gonna have to serve somebody. It may be the devil or it may be the Lord but you're gonna have to serve somebody."

Joshua 24:15 says, "Choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD." Don't be an undercover Christian. Shine His light brightly.

MINISTRY FOR SEPTEMBER:

Bartlett Unit.....Sept. 1, 4, 6, 8, 15, 18, 22, 29

Travis Unit-Evening services cancelled because of Ramadan

Lockhart Unit (Women).....Sept. 14

Colors of the Cross Ministry.....Sept. 19 & 26

FCI Bastrop.....Sept. 21

Network For Life.....Sept. 27

Kyle UnitSept. 28

Ron & Katie will attend Coalition of Prison Evangelist Conference in Oklahoma City on Sept. 11 - 13

One on One County Jail Visits

Hurry Up God

God prepares leaders in a slow-cooker, not in a microwave oven. More important than the awaited goal is the work God does in us while we wait.

Noah – waited 120 years before the predicted rains arrived.

Abraham – waited 25 years for a promised son.

Joseph – waited 14 years in prison for a crime he didn't commit.

Job – waited perhaps a lifetime, 60 – 70 years, for God's justice.

John Maxwell

Pray the Word

2 Chronicles 16:9 For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him.

Father, I live and move and have my being because of Thee; and Your eyes go to and fro throughout the whole earth because of me. RR

Acts 17:28 For in him we live, and move, and have our being.

Last Month our partners equipped us to minister the Word at: Bartlett Unit, Travis Unit, FCI Bastrop, Lockhart Unit, Murray Unit, TCCC Del Valle Chapel, Moore Unit as well as county jail visits.

Dear Ron & Wife - I just wanted to let you know how much I enjoyed your visit here at *this* prison. I have only been here for 2 months but I have a 7 year & 3 month sentence. Y'all lifted my spirit! I enjoyed the message you brought us. I have just recently started reading my Bible everyday and praying for knowledge and understanding. It's working! ☺ You touched me and I appreciate all the work you both do to spread the Word of God. God bless you both. C.C. (Women's Prison)

Ron Brigmon Ministries: I was an inmate at Lockhart in December of 2006. I attended one of your teachings and you presented me with a small booklet called Pray the Word. I have used it very much. I have misplaced it. Could you send me one in the mail? J.R.

Pastor Ron & Katie: Thank you for continuing to send me the newsletter. I love the pictures. You both have impacted my life to such an extent words could not explain. Although I still have a ways to go, the direction you've shown me through the Word of God, your compassion and direction; I know I can make it. Thank you, thank you, thank you. A.L.

Dear Ron & Katie: I sure miss hearing your words of wisdom. You all played a very special part in my life. I hope God blesses you to the fullest. God has been talking to me a lot lately. Pray for me. I'm glad I got a chance to meet y'all at Bartlett & Travis Jail. You have a good group of people. Thank you for the time you spend with us inmates. S.H.

B.O.

MATTHEW 25:36 TEAM MEMBER

...I WAS IN PRISON AND YOU CAME...