We Walk By Faith, Not Sight Pt1 Sun Am 6/9/24

2 Corinthians 5:5-10 NKJV

5Now He who has prepared us for this very thing *is* God, who also has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

6So *we are* always confident, knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord.

7For we walk by faith, not by sight. 8We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord.

9Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him.

10For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things *done* in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

*To be accepted we must walk by faith.*

# Colossians 2:6-7 NKJV

# 6As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him,

# 7rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving.

# Hebrews 11:6 NKJV

# 6But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him,* for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

# *Without faith we cannot please God.*

# Romans 8:8 NKJV

# 8So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

# *They that are in the flesh cannot please. They are being dominated by the five senses.*

# *Two kinds of faith.*

# *Sense – knowledge faith*

# John 20:24-29 NKJV

# 24Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.

# 25The other disciples therefore said to him, “We have seen the Lord.”So he said to them, “Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe.”

# 26And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, “Peace to you!”

# 27Then He said to Thomas, “Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand *here,* and put *it* into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing.”

# 28And Thomas answered and said to Him, “My Lord and my God!”

# 29Jesus said to him, “Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed *are* those who have not seen and *yet* have believed.”

# *Thomas demands physical evidence to satisfy his senses before he will allow himself to believe.*

# *Word faith.*

# Matthew 8:5-13 NKJV

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# 6saying, “Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented.”

# 7And Jesus said to him, “I will come and heal him.”

# 8The centurion answered and said, “Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed.

# 9For I also am a man under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to this *one,* ‘Go,’ and he goes; and to another, ‘Come,’ and he comes; and to my servant, ‘Do this,’ and he does *it.*”

# 10When Jesus heard *it,* He marveled, and said to those who followed, “Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel!

# 11And I say to you that many will come from east and west, and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven.

# 12But the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

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# *The centurion depends on the Word alone as evidence. Word faith rises above the senses.*

# *Compare Zacharias;*

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# *With Abraham.*

# Romans 4:16-22 NKJV

# 16Therefore *it is* of faith that *it might be* according to grace, so that the promise might be sure to all the seed, not only to those who are of the law, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all

# 17(as it is written, “I have made you a father of many nations”) in the presence of Him whom he believed—God, who gives life to the dead and calls those things which do not exist as though they did;

# 18who, contrary to hope, in hope believed, so that he became the father of many nations, according to what was spoken, “So shall your descendants be.”

# 19And not being weak in faith, he did not consider his own body, already dead (since he was about a hundred years old), and the deadness of Sarah’s womb.

# 20He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God,

# 21and being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform.

# 22And therefore “it was accounted to him for righteousness.”

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# *We are to walk in Abraham’s faith.*

# Romans 4:3 NKJV

# 3For what does the Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.”

# Romans 4:12 NKJV

# 12and the father of circumcision to those who not only *are* of the circumcision, but who also walk in the steps of the faith which our father Abraham *had while still* uncircumcised.

# *The Word ruled mind.*

# Romans 12:2 NKJV

# 2And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

# 2 Corinthians 10:2-5 NKJV

# 2But I beg *you* that when I am present I may not be bold with that confidence by which I intend to be bold against some, who think of us as if we walked according to the flesh.

# 3For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh.

# 4For the weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds,

# 5casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,

# *The Word ruled mind always believes God’s Word will free him.*