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HOW TO DEVELOP FAITH

Over the years I have heard people say and quote, “I believe, help my unbelief.” This is a quote from Mark 9:24. A man’s son kept throwing himself into the fire and water. Satan wanted to destroy his son. In Mark 9:23 Jesus said, ***“...If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.”***

Mark 9:24 is the man’s reply. ***“And straightway the father of the child cried out, and said, with tears, Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief.”***

Jesus rebuked the spirit in the boy, and he was set free.

Jesus was trying to tell the man that if “he” would believe, or have faith, then all things were possible. The man acknowledged that he had some unbelief and asked for help. Many of us go through trials like this man, where our faith is stretched to the breaking point.

So, how do we have enough faith to “believe”? The answer is found in Romans 10:17 where it says this: ***“So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.”***

We receive faith when the word of God is spoken by preachers, teachers, and even ourselves. When it enters our ears, faith comes. You see, everything starts with faith. Hebrews 11:3 says, ***“Through faith [believing the Word of God] we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.”***

God spoke the word, and the word created everything we see with the natural eye. When we hear the word of God spoken, faith rises in our spirit. It negates the negatives of the world and men that oppose what the word says. It causes one to conquer instead of being conquered. It makes one victorious instead of being the victim. The more we hear the word of God, the more faith is developed.

When we know who we are in Christ by faith, nothing is impossible! Turn off the words of doubt and fear and turn on the Word of God! Remember Habakkuk 2b says, ***“...The just shall live by his faith.”*** So, develop your faith by listening to the word of God.