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Wednesday, August 11, 2021 - Group Study

Lesson Series: Faithfulness

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Lesson 1: Faith That Won't Give Up

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All Scriptures are KJV; unless otherwise noted. Prepared By Dr. Walter Henderson III

- I. When Jesus returns to the earth, He will be looking for something.
 - A. Jesus wanted us to have faith like this woman.
 - B. If we draw back, God has no pleasure in us. (Now the just shall live by faith: but if[any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. Heb. 10:38)
 - C. (Luke 18:1 AMPC Also [Jesus] told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not turn coward (faint, lose heart, and give up)
 - D. Jesus places a high premium on having faith when you pray. If you're going to pray, don't faint, don't turn coward, don't lose heart and run.
 - E. Jesus will be looking for this kind of faith.
- II. The widow would not give up. (vs. 4-5)
 - A. You can't try to live by faith, you must do it.
 - B. People who *try* to live by faith don't make it.
 - C. Her continual *tel'os*) coming; means to set out for a definite goal; not a time period, the limit at which a thing ceases to be. Her mindset was, I will come until I reach my goal.
 - D. The judge realized that the woman would not stop until she reached her goal.
- III. Jesus informs His disciples, (Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If you continue in my word, then are you my disciples indeed: John 8:31).
 - A. The act of continuing something creates a habit.
 - B. The act becomes habitual.
 - C. We can have good and bad habits.
 - D. When we continue in the Word, we will become a disciple; a discipline one.
 - E. Jesus continues in next verse, (and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. John 8:32).
 - F. Jesus wanted us to understand that faithfulness to God's Word, frees us!!!
- IV. If we decide not to hold on to faith, we can become shipwreck. (1 Tim. 1:18-19)
 - A. There are rewards for holding on to your faith. (*Heb.* 10:35)
- V. Faith causes us not to give up, but to seek other means. (Luke 5:17-26)
 - A. They did not seek a way; they sought means.
 - B. This faith doesn't stop because one door is shut.
 - C. Don't turn coward, faint, lose heart, and give up.

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- VI. When Jesus saw their faith. (Luke 5:20)
 - A. Can Jesus see your faith?
- VII. Will Jesus find faith when He comes again?
 - A. When Jesus come will he see your faith?
 - B. It's one thing to be faithful today; and found faithful at an appointed time.