

ABRAHAM'S FAITH JOURNEY # 3

F.F.(Faith Friend) #12 CONFESSION - Genesis 17:4-5

Abram's name is changed by God to Abraham, which means 'father of a multitude'. Confession means 'to say the same thing and to agree'. After this, Abram would speak and hear others say, Abraham / father of a multitude. It was a confession in the present of what would come to reality in the future. God had said to him 'you will be' and 'I have made you' a father of many nations. God had already **sealed his promise** with a **blood covenant**. (Our confessions today are based on the Blood Covenant of Jesus Christ.)

They overcome him (the devil) by the **blood of the Lamb and by the word of their **testimony** and did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death.**

(God's role is covenant, man's role: confession and commitment) - Revelation 12:11

Whatever Jesus has purchased for us is ours. However, we must access many of these benefits through faith, which can involve confession and belief in our heart. - eg. Romans 10:8-10. Faith comes from 'hearing the Word of God'. Romans 10:17. Hearing in the Greek means 'hearing and hearing'. The more we hear something spoken out loud the more likely faith will be conceived in our heart. Abraham's faith grew from hearing his name

WORDS ARE POWERFUL

- Hebrews 11:3 The universe was created with a Word of God....'Let there be light'
- Proverbs 12:14, 13:2 Words can fill our lives with good things
- Proverbs 16:24 Pleasant words are 'soul sweets' and bring healing to the bones
- Proverbs 18:21 The tongue (words) have the power of life and death
- Meditation is to mutter upon the Word of God until it becomes grafted into your spirit Joshua 1:8, Psalms 1; 119:97-99, Jeremiah 15:16, John 6:63, 15:7
- Romans 10:10 Belief and confession bring salvation, deliverance and wholeness
- Mark 11:23 Believe what you say and believe you have received....it will be yours
- Philippians 4:6 Ask with thanksgiving / thank God before you see it answered
- Hebrews 11:13-14 They saw, welcomed and confessed the promises of God

AFFIRMATIONS OF FAITH

- Genesis 22:5 Abraham says to Isaac'We will come back'
- Genesis 22:8 Abraham believes/confesses God will provide - Hebrews 11:19, Rom. 4:17
- Exodus 14:13 Moses speaks the victory before it happens
- Joshua 6:16 Joshua proclaims, 'The Lord has given us the city!'
- Judges 7:15 Gideon called out, 'Get up! The Lord has given the Midianite camp into your hands.'
- 1 Samuel 14:12 Jonathan declared: 'The Lord has given them into the hand of Israel'
- 1 Samuel 17:46-47 David (a blood covenant man) speaks of the victory to come
- 1 Kings 17:1 Elijah says there will be no rain
- 2 Kings 6:16 Elijah speaks in faith based on a supernatural revelation
- Matthew 8:8 The centurion to Jesus: 'Just say the word and my servant will be healed.'
- Mark 5:23-28 A very sick woman makes a statement of faith for healing
- Mark 5:39 Before resurrecting a dead child, Jesus says the girl is only asleep
- Luke 1:37-38 Mary says nothing is impossible with God (Greek = no rhema word from God shall be void of power) - Vines Expository Dictionary
- John 11:23, 40-42 Jesus says Lazarus will be raised from the dead and then later thanks God the Father for hearing him before it happens
- 2 Corinthians 1:20, 4:13 Believing before speaking in faith
- Acts 18:10 God affirms that he has many people in the city before they are saved
- Acts 27:22-25,34 Paul proclaims all the men on the ship will be spared the storm
- John 1:22-23 John speaks his identity based on God's Word - Isaiah 40:3

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