

Lift Up A Standard (sjm 2-26-2023)

New Year – New Challenges but New Opportunities

1) Moving Day 2) Listening to the Voice 3) Lift up a Standard.

Is 59:19 When the enemy shall come in like a flood,, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a **standard** against him.

Standard = A level of quality or an accepted norm

Deut 28:7 The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.

Smitten – to strike a from blow

Rom 16:20 The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet and the blessings from our Lord Jesus Christ be upon you.

Heb 3:19 So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief. (doubt – can't belief for it)

Old Testament = Type and shadow of the New Testament (of our own lives now)

- **Egypt = Bondage or Servitude** (do you feel like you are just a servant in life)
- **Wilderness = barely get along** (never enough to get over the top) A constant struggle?
- **Canaan – Promised land filled with milk & honey** (abundance, more than you need)
 - (The fertility of the soil and bounty of the land (ability to produce or be successful))
 - Your job, marriage, land, ministry, hobbies, etc,)

True Soil in Your Heart and the ability to incubate seed (word of God)

- **AMP** So we see that they were not able to enter [into His rest—the promised land] because of unbelief *and* an unwillingness to trust in God.
- **AMPC** So we see that they were not able to enter [into His rest], because of their unwillingness to adhere to *and* trust in *and* rely on God [unbelief had shut them out].
- Are life is like a train ride to the Promised Land (do you make it or do you get off too soon?)

Heb 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, & that he is a rewarded of them that diligently seek him **Diligently** = engrossed, absorbed & engaged

God spoke to my spirit about faith projects (Capps example)

- **Walk or live by faith** (continual) not just when praying or faith projects
- **Hab 2:4, Rom 1:17, Gal 2:20, Gal 3:11 & Heb 10:38 = All say "We Live By Faith"**
- **Live by Faith** (I asked God for a definition of living by faith (**every moment your not dead**))
- I better raise the standard!
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Rom 4:17-21 in the message bible: "Abraham didn't focus on his own impotence and say, "It's hopeless. This hundred-year-old body could never father a child." Nor did he survey Sarah's decades of infertility and give up. He didn't tiptoe around God's promise asking cautiously skeptical questions. He plunged into the promise and came up strong, ready for God, sure that God would make good on what he had said. That's why it is said, "Abraham was declared fit before God by trusting God to set him right." But it's not just Abraham; it's also us! The same thing gets said about us when we embrace and believe the One who brought Jesus to life when the conditions were equally hopeless. The sacrificed Jesus made us fit for God, set us *right with God*"

1 Cor 2:5 Your faith s/n stand in the wisdom of man but in the Power of God

Ps 1 and Joshua 1 (meditate or mutter) Prov 4: attend to my words, incline they ear, not depart from thy eyes, keep them in the midst of heart For they are life unto them that find them and health to the flesh

Faith moves mountains, faith brings healing, faith brings miraculous, faith takes what's in heaven and manifests it here on earth. Pleases God Walks on water, stops storms in you life, multiples loaves and fishes, brings provision (go fishing & first fish you catch) Faith brings peace (knowing who has your back)

Faith gives substance Evidence

Rom 10:17 Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the Word of God (fear hearing from the world)

Faith Believes (Jesus to Thomas (blessed are those that do not see yet still believe!))

Luke 18:8 Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he **find faith** on the earth? (**persistent faith**)
Vs 7 to cry out night and day (a loud shout expressing a powerful feeling or emotion:

Notes:

Ex 14:13 they had to still walk it out in faith and get into the water (walls on each side) He stirred up the wind. Could have been quite noisy and scary to walk through. Natural man would have turned around) Over 2000 mph wind to lift water 9000ft. At 63 mph could push back waters 6ft 157 mph is category 5. 253 mph the strongest wind speed ever recorded (had to always see or would start to wander in their faith) or wasn't strong & consistent (kept veering back to the natural – with grumblings)