FAITH FOR BREAKTHROUGH

What is needed to Walk in Breakthrough? Faith!

*Faith is best defined in God’s own words: “the evidence of things not seen, the substance of things that are hoped for...” (Heb 11:1)*

*Breakthrough is “An act of overcoming or penetrating an obstacle or restriction.”* -Google

I. BELIEVER’S ACCESS TO FAITH

a. How? Who? Where? What? Why? ………-Jesus is the answer to all these questions!
   i. God was born through the Virgin Mary as Jesus to come into this world. In Isaiah we hear Him declare more than once “I am Yahweh your Savior.”—Is 41:13, 43:3
   ii. In Luke 2:11 the angels tell the shepherds “today a rescuer is born...Lord Yahweh the Messiah.”-TPT (The Passion Translation). The angels are telling them the one who spoke in Isaiah has come to earth as a child. The meat of the message is the one who saves is here! This is why you should not be afraid. The angels also say this message is for everyone! (Luke 2:10)

b. Everyone on earth has been invited to walk and live by faith through Jesus. Rom 5:1-2

Meditation Moment: We have access through faith and through Jesus we come into this faith! In order to walk in breakthrough, we need Jesus and we need faith. I see them both as one in the same!

II. FAITH TESTED: WALKING ON WATER AND PETER’S BREAKTHROUGH

I do not want us to focus on Peter’s failure, because this would not be his first and only time he would fail etc. Peter would come across another even greater failure than almost drowning—denying our Lord Jesus Christ. The encouraging thing is, not even Jesus chose to focus on Peter’s failures, but rather calls him to be the one who leads His church.

a. Walking on water was one of Peter’s first miracles but the greater breakthrough came when he becomes the one who leads Jesus’ church from breakthroughs upon
breakthroughs even up to today!! The message in Acts 1 preached by Peter is the beginning of his ministry after Jesus ascension. Since that day the church walks in manifested breakthroughs all available through faith in Jesus Christ.

a. **Matt 14:28-29: Peter sees Jesus on the water.**
   
b. Jesus had said to them the things I do you will do also and even greater things. He also says whoever believes in me will do what I am doing--John 14:12
   
Peter sees Jesus walking on water, so he thinks, I want to do the same. Let me just ask Him!!
   
Peter asked Jesus--invite me to walk towards you. He knew this meant, if I walk towards Jesus, I will walk on water like Jesus!

c. **Jesus invites Peter to walk on water. Jesus invites Peter to faith realm! “So He said, “come”**
   
i. There is no natural possibility of anyone walking on water. Only God’s power can do this, as evident in Jesus doing it. If not for God’s power there is no way anyone would handle this great feat. Faith is a manifestation of God’s unseen power as Heb 11:1 says faith is unseen.

   ii. 2 Cor 5:6-7 confirms even greater what Peter did through Jesus bidding--He walked by faith! Peter walking on water though only for a moment, was Peter walking by faith. Like apostle Paul states in 2 Cor 5, if we are in the earth not in heaven yet looking at it from a physical perspective, we will need to walk by faith. To walk by what is the unseen power of God. In heaven there is no need to walk by faith. We are seeing as is, and knowing not in part anymore but in full. 1 Cor 13:9-10.

I believe God has to call us to faith adventures. We do not send ourselves. Why? Heb 13:21

He who calls us, equips us with the faith needed to walk what He calls us to…evident in Peter’s water walk.

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_Meditation Moment: Faith for Breakthrough is faith God calls us to be a part of through Jesus. Rev 3:20_

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**JESUS IS KNOCKING AT THE DOOR OF OUR HEART (SOUL) – FAITH IS NEEDED TO OPEN DOOR.**

**Examples of faith walks:**

1. Patricia King: she is an apostle, prophet, teacher, and evangelist. She functions in all the fivefold offices by faith! Through Jesus she received this call and answered by faith.
can say let me do what she does but apart from Christ calling them or bidding them they will not be able to—they will sink.

2. My [Beatriz] life: God called me years ago to lead his people by leading youth. I had to answer the call by faith. Why by faith? At that time, I had never led youth and my walk with God was not where I thought it should be...He clearly saw me from the finished work of Jesus because faith was needed to believe God would call and use me to the capacity He has and will continue to use me. Without faith I cannot please God because without faith I cannot say yes to God’s bidding.

Meditation Moment:
Your own life: Recall how God has led your faith walk, and take this space to jot down your testimony of faith

III. POWER: FAITH AND WISDOM: FAITH FOR BREAKTHROUGH IS NOT BASED ON MAN’S WISDOM

A believer cannot walk in the power of God via another person or leader are walking in it.

Peter almost sinks but not Jesus, why was this so? Jesus had the faith in the power of God, His father to stay on top of the water. The waves were no challenge to Jesus.

   a. 2 Cor 2:5 says so that faith may not be based on anything except God’s power.
   b. Jesus had faith in God’s ability and power. Jesus’ prayers and works are proof of His faith in God. John 11:41-43

Too many times we see men and women going on ministry adventures because they saw other great men or women of God do His works, however they have not faith for their own mission. God in His mercy has held some from falling but there is no grace for that thing they are wanting to do. God however gives grace for each task and work He calls us to do on this earth.

Examine your Work: Gal 6:3-4

Social media and technology has opened many great opportunities for the gospel of Jesus. It has also opened toxic opportunities. One of these being comparison games.

Meditation Moment: What has God bid you to do through Jesus? There is a specific bidding on your life. Ask Jesus, like Peter did, to call you out into that walk of faith. The one who calls you will equip you to do the work in faith. Heb 11:33-34
We have access to everyone’s personal or apparent personal life. People in ministry, Hollywood, government, and even foreign dignitaries to a certain level. It is easy to see what they are doing or not doing, and enemy of comparison comes to want to attack us, at any moment. Are we to shut down our social media? Not necessarily but simply live by faith! Acts 15:9, Gal 3:24

Apostle Paul says examine your own work. Your own walk. Do not live by the walk of others, he would also say do not live by the faith of others. The person you are wanting to compare yourself to in ministry they have faith and grace for what they are doing their work says it. 1 Tim 5:25 says good works are evident! The good works you are seeing come from the faith they walk in and not by sight. Have faith to believe you are also called to good works manifestation.

Some may ask: Why am I not seeing such works yet? Examine your work. Inquire of the Holy Spirit who will lead you to all truth. John 16:13

Is there a work you are wanting to walk in that you do not have faith for? Only you can answer this.

**FAITH FOR BREAKTHROUGH IS JESUS.**

We all have Jesus so we all have breakthrough in us. It is now about activating and walking by faith in it.

What are you believing God for?

Do you have a word of confirmation from the Bible to stand on what you are believing God for in your life? Faith is built by hearing the word of God through Jesus’ message. It is important to have word to always stand on. Self-Ideas, prophetic words spoken by prophets, and motivational words are all important and key but the Bible is the written word of God. It has power to make any dead thing come alive as well as to activate us into any promise spoken over us.
How can you pray the Word of God over God’s bidding upon your life?

The disciple’s response to Peter and Jesus on the Water:

Matt 14:33 is what everyone on that boat exclaimed: “Truly Jesus is the Son of God.” This is why Jesus did what He did. It was not done as a one man show. Jesus calmed the storm and allowed Peter to walk on water, to show His God particle and DNA to the disciples.

After Peter nearly drowns and is saved by Jesus the winds cease. Everyone was ok! Everything was back to normal.

Faith is not something to be at unrest about or not in peace. Faith is not something to make us loose our faith! Faith is meant to draw us closer to God through the work of Jesus. That is why it says the message of Christ increases our faith. Rom 10:17 NIV.

All we do going forward in faith and by faith in Jesus will point to God. If it points to Jesus it points to God. Since He is in close proximity to the Father!

**MAY YOU WALK IN THE BREAKTHROUGH FAITH YOU ALREADY POSSESS THROUGH JESUS CHRIST YOUR SAVIOR!**

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