

Understanding the Faith Process in Receiving the Promises of God

Bible Study Handout

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You Will Never Possess the Promises You Talk Against

2 Kings 7:1-2 (NASB 95)

Then Elisha said, "Listen to the word of the Lord; thus says the Lord, 'Tomorrow about this time a measure of fine flour will be sold for a shekel...

2 Kings 7:1-2 (NLT)

Elisha replied, "Listen to this message from the Lord!...

Public Giving in Scripture

Public giving is a part of scripture record – not to be confused with alms.

Matthew 6:3-4 (NASB 95)

But when you give to the poor, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing...

Matthew 6:3-4 (NLT)

But when you give to someone in need, don't let your left hand know what your right hand is doing...

Psalm 107:31-32 (NASB 95)

Let them give thanks to the Lord for His lovingkindness...

Psalm 107:31-32 (NLT)

Let them praise the Lord for his great love...

Faith and Diligence in Receiving Promises

Hebrews 6:11–12 (NASB 95)

And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence so as to realize the full assurance of hope...

Hebrews 6:11-12 (NLT)

Our great desire is that you will keep on loving others as long as life lasts...

Understanding the Faith Process

Galatians 3:13-14 (NASB 95)

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law...

Galatians 3:13–14 (NLT)

But Christ has rescued us from the curse pronounced by the law...

Hebrews 4:2 (NASB 95)

For indeed we have had good news preached to us, just as they also...

Hebrews 4:2 (NLT)

For this good news—that God has prepared this rest—has been announced to us...

1 Peter 5:8 (NASB 95)

Be of sober spirit, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around...

1 Peter 5:8 (NLT)

Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil...

Faith Participation, Profession, and Praise

Faith Participation

They acted in faith and brought the gift as directed.

Faith Profession

They opened their mouths and made faith statements (Romans 10:10).

Faith Praise

They rejoiced over all that had been done and what they expected.

Substances That Activate Mountain-Moving Faith

Hebrews 11:1 (NASB 95)

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

Hebrews 11:1 (NLT)

Faith shows the reality of what we hope for; it is the evidence of things we cannot see.

Willful Sacrificial Obedience Provokes Divine Action

Examples

Hannah gave her first son—and God showed up. The widow gave the precious (a cake first to Elijah)—and God showed up...

Obedience in Giving Entitles the Giver to Grace

2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (NASB 95)

Now this I say, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly...

2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (NLT)

Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop...

Proverbs 3:9-10 (NASB 95)

Honor the Lord from your wealth And from the first of all your produce...

Proverbs 3:9–10 (NLT)

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the best part of everything you produce...

Entitlements and Promises Must Be Possessed by Faith

Isaiah 38:2-3 (NASB 95)

Then Hezekiah turned his face to the wall and prayed to the Lord...

Isaiah 38:2-3 (NLT)

When Hezekiah heard this, he turned his face to the wall and prayed to the Lord...

Isaiah 45:23 (NASB 95)

I have sworn by Myself, the word has gone forth from My mouth in righteousness...

Isaiah 45:23 (NLT)

I have sworn by my own name; I have spoken the truth, and I will never go back on my word...



■ Summary Points

- You will never possess the promises you speak against.
- Public giving testifies of God's goodness.
- Faith and patience inherit the promises.
- Faith must be mixed with the Word.
- Obedience activates grace and divine provision.
- Sacrifice provokes supernatural response.
- Promises must be possessed and demanded by faith.

