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21 Days of Fasting
Devotional –Day 6

Ministry

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Trust Me, It Is I Says The Lord

The Lord will rarely give you a word unless you have lived it or are living in it right now. I will be talking about two different occasions in the Bible where you will witness individuals asking God for a healing miracle. As one asks for his daughter's healing, the other is blaming God for not being there to heal their brother (Luke 8:40-56; John 11:1-44). In both situations trusting in God was needed.

The word trust is thrown around so much now that it is possible that we have lost the true meaning of it. The dictionary defines trust as: belief in something as true and/or trustworthy. In today's world everybody is saying trust me. As an example: someone might say "yes Pastor I will be there with you during the 21 days of fasting & prayer", but not show up even one day and still expect the Pastor to trust them with ministry. Fasting and prayer will help us walk in integrity and it will help build our trust in Jesus.

In Luke 8:40-56 two healing miracles take place. It starts with Jairus a ruler of the synagogue falling at Jesus' feet and begging Him to come to his house to heal his dying daughter. On the way to Jairus' house, the first miracle happens. Right then the woman who had an issue of blood for twelve years (take note Jairus' daughter was twelve years old) came upon the scene. As the passage teaches us, she spent all her money on doctors and no results, then she comes to Jesus. Does this sound familiar? You must see that there is a story behind the story. God, who being omniscient, knew that news was on the way from Jairus' house; his daughter had passed away "why bother the Master". We know that the multitudes were surrounding Him, why did he call that woman out? Wasn't there any other healing manifested while he walked? He had to show Jairus, this woman did not come to Him and fall at His feet for her healing; instead she just believed and trusted that if she just touched the lowest part of His garment she would be healed. Jesus had to remind him indirectly, you came to me begging for healing now let's go and get it done. We all know what happened next, with three little words "little girl, arise", miracle complete!!!



God Never Fails

In John 11:1-44 we read about Lazarus, a friend Jesus, who was sick and passed away. Friend is employed here, because whenever He was in Judea, He would spend time at their home with Lazarus. Now Lazarus had two sisters Mary & Martha who loved Jesus. But I want to concentrate on Martha the busy "servant" complaining about Mary not helping in the kitchen. That's our problem we got Jesus right in front of us and we can't see Him because we are worrying about what other people are doing. If we were more attentive on Jesus we would see the miracles that He has done and would have more trust in Him. Martha was so busy trying to look busy she missed most of the teaching that Jesus taught while in her house.

What is the point here? Do we recognize that Jesus is in our house, our lives, and are we paying attention to Him and the promises He has made. Martha was complaining about the smell of Lazarus' corpse after four days of death, but Jesus reminded her in verse 40, "did I not say to you that if you believe you would see the glory of God". The lesson here is that being with Jesus and trusting Him must remain together. We need to be reminded by the Word that God never fails. He is always on time. We just need to focus and His promises and live believing that His word never returns void! Remember His words, "Trust Me, It Is I says The Lord". Like the Word teaches us, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and not lean on your own understanding" (Proverbs 3:5-6).

As we continue on these 21 days of praying and fasting, we must maintain our trust in Him, that whatever we are asking will come to pass.

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