

Processing of Faith!

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Processing of faith means actively trusting God in faith—it is what Jesus tells us *Mark 11:22 “Have faith in God;”* then explaining how important it is that we *believe Him* when we *ask God.* It is like accepting a gift, we must *believe* their words—*This is a gift for you*—and we *accept* what they offer. *Mark 11:24 “Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them”*—*Mark 9:23 “All things are possible to him that believeth.”*

Tenets of faith must be understood—*1 Timothy 1:5 “Now the purpose of the commandment is love from a pure heart, from a good conscience, and from sincere faith.”* The whole object of the Christian life is divine love for God from a pure heart within us.

For our faith to be *perfected*, we must have a clear *conscience*—which comes from confessing and forsaking our sins; giving our life back to God; and doing His will with every situation met. *Then we can count our sins pardoned; and then our heart is cleansed—as His Word says it is.*

Knowing what sincere faith in God means helps us to resist the devil—who attacks *our faith* to have us doubt *God’s promise.* Faith is where Satan puts up his strongest fight—and he *knows* that an effective way to hinder our answers to prayer is to attack our faith in God. The Blood of

Christ paid for our deliverance—it is free and without merit on our part—it is received by faith in God alone.

Faith in God is so valuable that Jesus told the parable of what even a small seed of faith would produce. *Matthew 17:20 “For verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.”* Processing faith in God enables us to receive answers to prayer.

If a grain of *faith* could move a *mountain*—something *not* necessary—how much *more* would God give us things that *are* necessary—as we harbor no doubt in our heart. The *Blood of Christ* has given us the *power of God* any time of the day or night. A God of love, wisdom, and power is at our service, so we can surely have answers to prayer in our life.

This free divine *power* is available and is *waiting* to be utilized. *Revelation 3:20 “Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.”* If a delivery person came with a pre-paid package we ordered, the next move is *ours*—we must *believe* the package is for us and *open* the door to take it in.

Satan *knows* this and *centers* his attack on our *not believing*—trying to get us to *question* what God *says* about what is *ours*. If someone followed us and intercepted any good thing that was for us—then we can see that *that* is the way. Satan is always trying to prevent our receiving the *good* things God has for *us*. All of God’s gifts are accessible, free, and waiting for our response, but if we do not *hear* the bell, we would *not open* the door.

The Blood of Jesus paid for our peace, health, protection, our finances, and our right

standing before God. *Mark 11:24 “What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.”* It is a sure thing—it *1 John 5:14-15 “Is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.”*

Satan immediately suggests those things are *not* ours; the victory is *not* won; and the blessings will *not* be received. If we believe *his* suggestions, we would not receive *God’s* gifts—just like we would *not receive* a package at our door—if we did *not believe* it was ours. Processing our *Faith in God* means our believing the *Word of God*—and *not* believing the lies of Satan.

Jesus says if someone wants to *borrow* from us, and we have the money, we are to *give* them the money. If anyone begs from us, we are to give what they ask for. If someone steals from us, we are *not* to ask it back. If they take our *jacket*, we are *not* to refuse our *shirt* if they want that also. We are to *pray* for those who use us in a spiteful way, and to *bless* anyone who curses us *Luke 6:32-35.*

Luke 6:29-31 “To him who strikes you on the one cheek, offer the other also. And from him who takes away your cloak, do not withhold your tunic either. Give to everyone who asks of you. And from him who takes away your goods do not ask them back. And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise.”

Doing that *clears* our *conscience*—we are following what the *Word of God* says. *That* is how to process *faith in God*—He takes care of those things for us. If anyone treats us *wrongly*, we are to treat them *kindly*—as if nothing happened or anything was ever said. *1 Timothy 1:5 “The purpose of the commandment is love from a pure*

heart, from a good conscience, and from sincere faith.”

A clear conscience means not having any *resentment* about *anything* against *anyone*.
1 John 3:20-21 “*If our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God.*” Confident that the prayer is answered.

Processing faith *in God* means we have given our life *to God*—and are reacting to situations as the Word says. Following the instructions of the Word is how to process *our faith*. When we face any kind of battle—physical, financial, or spiritual, processing faith means reacting correctly.
2 Corinthians 12:9 “*My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.*” No matter what type of battle or trial is encountered it must be put in God’s hands to stay.

When we ask in *prayer* and in *faith* the answer is being processed. There is still the matter of whether we are going *through* with faith in God or not. If we have not really decided, the answer will be hindered. The first step after we have confessed and forsaken our sins—giving us a clear conscience—is to give the matter to God for good.

If it is a financial battle, we must decide that no matter how *severe* it is, or how much we *need* the money, we will trust God only and *not* go into debt. If we are in a physical battle, we must make the decision to trust Him in faith, and *not* accept drugs, pills, or even a drop of water to heal us—as that would be transferring our faith from *God* to something *else*. Job 13:15 “*Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him.*”

If we need to buy food for the family, we are *not* to borrow money but to remain faithful in *trusting God* to provide in a scriptural way—and God will prove He is just as able to supply

our needs when we *are not* employed, as when we *are* employed.

We *should* work at a job when we are able to work, as the apostle said 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12 “*To work with your hands, just as we told you, so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.*”

God took one and a half million people through the Red Sea, into a desert, and kept them for forty years without anyone having a job or any income. No one was able to earn any money—not a cent, and there was no bread to beg, borrow, or even steal. There was nothing to eat, but God sent manna from Heaven to nourish and sustain life.

God furnished food for the widow of Zarephath, even when someone asked her for the little she had left. God told Elijah to visit and board with her; even though she had only a little flour and oil. This was all in divine order, however, and when we follow God’s plan, everything *has* to turn out right.

The devil makes it easy to depend on *wages*, but the Holy Spirit enable us to depend on *God!* The Spirit enlightens us to see that God is bigger and better than any paycheck. Not many think God is greater than their job. They think like Elisha’s servant 2 Kings 6:15 “*Alas, my master! What shall we do?*” The lesson everyone must *learn* is that God is *greater* than any *job* and *more* than any *wage*.

Israel learned their lesson in a wasteland—no grocery store, no bakery, and no way to satisfy their hunger, but God proved to be *greater* than any lack. We also must know that *nothing with God* is better than *everything without Him*. He has promised to supply what we need when our faith is on Him. The spiritual lesson to learn is that everything *will* turn out right, if we will *trust God* for

what He promised right. It is a *privilege* to prove God in financial matters.

We *praise* God *after* we *pray*—not after we *see* the *money*. If we compromise and borrow money, or let our needs be known to someone, the victory is blocked—it is the pivot point of *faith* and *trust* on God—or of faith and trust on something else.

Israel sent spies to report on the Promised Land, and because of *unbelief* of the majority, the nation wandered for forty years in a parched land. All who were over twenty *perished*, when they could have *flourished* in a land of milk and honey. They *questioned* God’s power to conquer the giants—just as we often *limit* God’s power to give us the victory.

Satan always pictures the worst; a failure; or defeat—but the voice of Truth tells a different story to those who *believe!* Not many are seeing success in the converting of their heart, but if anyone will *give* their *life* to God, He will *give* them a new and converted *heart* that wants to trust God.

We are *not* to depend on the *experiences* of others; *not* the *experiences* we have had in the past, and *not* on anything *else*—but only on *God* alone. We transfer our confidence from a *past experience*, to the present *living God*—He will *then* prove that He is able to do great things for those who trust Him—those who really know about the *Processing of Faith!*



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