

# The Word Means What It Says!

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We often say: *I'll believe it when I see it!*—but we should *never* say: *I'll believe Him when I see Him!*—because we serve and trust an unseen God! Trusting our all-powerful God in faith is the main ingredient of the true Christian life. 2 Corinthians 4:18 “*While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.*”

Two things that most people will *not* give up—even many who *claim* to trust God—are *money* and *medicine*—yet those two things are really what trusting God in faith is all about. *Believing* in our unseen God and *trusting* on the atoning Blood of Jesus is *required* to enter Heaven.

Seen conditions did not affect the decisions of the apostle Paul—as he was guided and controlled by his unseen God, who promised to give him inner peace, saving grace, and answers to prayers—all provided by faith in God at no cost to the apostle or anyone else.

If we sin, God is ready to forgive—we just repent. If we are ill, God is ready to reveal the spiritual cause and He promises to help us correct the problem or wrong decision we may have made. We are then in a position to be healed by divine power.

If wisdom is needed, God is always ready to give spiritual light by His Spirit. We are to believe God will *do* that and then *accept* His promise by faith alone. The *Blood* of Jesus has paid the cost for the *answer* to be given. 2 Corinthians 1:20 “*For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.*”

The *basis* of all faith is the *cross*—that Atonement sacrifice enables *anything* God wants to do for us; and His Word says those things are already ours. The moment we *look away from seen* things in the *world* and *look to* the *unseen* things in the *Word of God*, we become a person of faith.

Satan wants us to look at *seen* conditions—he calls our attention to them; he magnifies them; and he aggravates symptoms to keep our focus on the difficulties. He brings up past sins; attacks us physically; or causes some disturbance of our peace to keep our thoughts filled with our troubles.

Human minds do not multitask well—Satan is aware that we can only focus on one thing at a time, so he calls our attention to past sins, mistakes, and failures—which takes our attention away from *God*, the *Blood*, and the *Word*.

If our attention is on *seen* things, we are filled with despair and doubt—*hindering* spiritual growth; but if we look at our *unseen* God of creation, we are filled with confidence and hope—*enabling* spiritual growth.

Moses left Egypt in faith—knowing his life was in danger from the wrath of the king, and the rebellion of the Israelites—who blamed him for all their troubles. Moses was not afraid of anything or anyone, because he depended on the One Who is invisible. If our focus is on the all-powerful Creator of *everything*—we will not fear anything either.

God's provisions and power are free—there is no merit needed on our part. If we are willing to trust in faith on this divine power that is available,

we will be victorious over doubts, fears, and unbelief. Hebrews 13:5 “*Let your conversation be without covetousness Keep your lives free from the love of money]; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.*”

Only one type of person can *see* the *unseen*—one with an enlightened and spiritual mind. The *world* is not able to see the invisible God of the *Bible*. The Blood of Jesus means nothing to them; the God of creation is not factored into their calculations; and the Words of Scripture have no influence with them, even though God's *Word means what it says*.

Nevertheless, if we repent of our unbelief; surrender our *self-will* to be *God's* will in everything—and if we have made a commitment to follow *the Word that means what it says*, we will then *see* the *unseen* God of the Universe—we will *not* be influenced by Satan's doubts. We must *keep* our attention on the invisible One, however, with whom nothing is impossible Matthew 19:26.

The *carnal* mind of the world cannot see the *living* God of the Bible—although He is not far from anyone. 2 Chronicles 7:14 “*If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.*”

If we will *repent* and *reject* any thought of compromise, *then* the Holy Spirit will open our eyes to see the invisible God of creation. If we are *surrendered* to God right; if we have *repented* of past sins; if we are willing to get *rid of unbelief* and ready to put real *faith* in our unseen God, we can be healed, supplied, protected, and blessed in many ways.

When we *confess* our *unbelief*, we can then *accept* a *believing* heart—one that will ask God in confidence and assurance for the answer we need.

We Hebrews 4:16 “Come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.”

We decide first—James 4:8 “Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.”

Getting closer to God by trusting Him is *first*; then His power works for us *second*. *Cleansing our hands* means *confessing our sins*; and *purifying our heart* means *surrendering our will* to God’s will. This is not done just to get out of trouble or over a problem, but we are to *forsake* those ways and *never* go back. Luke 9:62 “No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.”

As we commit our life to God, our spiritual vision will see that we must do *all* things depending on an unseen God. We begin to realize: God’s Word Means What It Says, and that the Blood of Christ provides health; healing; protection; blessings; and victory.

We begin to rightly estimate the true *value* of these divine blessings, and we will say Galatians 6:14 “God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.”

Always depending on the *power of God* results in things that we say and do and decide bringing *glory of God*. The apostle was 1 Corinthians 2:2 “Determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified. 3 And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling. 4 And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man’s wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power.”

Israel left Egypt, came to Kadesh-Barnea, and were about to enter the Promised Land—a beautiful area *flowing with milk and honey*. God had promised and His *Words meant what He said*

Deuteronomy 8:9 “A land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack any thing in it; a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills thou mayest dig brass”—things that were yet unseen.

They *could* have entered Canaan—a land of plenty in a few *days*—but they had to wander in a desert for forty *years*—because of being stubborn and unwilling to believe what was yet unseen. Sending the twelve spies to *search* the land resulted in God searching the *hearts* of the people.

When we face real difficulties or hardships, we will *know* what is in *our* heart. The ten-spy report and the two-spy report did not agree. Ten spies could only see *impossibilities*, and two spies could only see *possibilities*—through faith in an unseen God to do what He promised. Ten looked at the *seen* things, and two looked at the *unseen* God who promised great things.

Two reported Numbers 13:27 “We came unto the land whither thou sentest us, and surely it floweth with milk and honey; and this is the fruit of it”—the Grapes of Eshcol are legendary—so huge and heavy that it took two men to carry them on a pole.

Ten reported Numbers 13:28 “Nevertheless the people be strong that dwell in the land, and the cities are walled, and very great: and moreover we saw the children of Anak there.”

Having God in our heart does not consider difficulties—no matter how overwhelming they seem. We are not to consider human impossibilities or be influenced by aggravating symptoms, but to consider only the power of the unseen God—what *He can* do Matthew 19:26 and what He has *promised* to do. We are to see in faith that 2 Kings 6:16 “They that be with us are more than they that be with them.”

Caleb and Joshua considered the unseen God and how His power could deliver them. Numbers 13:30 “Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said,

*Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.*” The two considered the *unseen God*, and the ten considered the difficulties that *could be seen*.

Numbers 13:31,33 “We be not able to go up against the people; for they are stronger than we. We saw the giants, the sons of Anak, which come of the giants: and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight.”

Satan magnifies difficulties and has us look at *seen* problems. The devil suggests that there is *no help* and *no hope* for us. He makes everything look like the *sons of Anak*—bigger than they really are—we see only giants. Satan suggests that it would be better to go back to the *world*—he wants us to lose sight of the Word and focus on the problem Luke 9:62.

The promises of God are the *same*—yesterday’s promise; today’s promise, and tomorrow’s promises remain the same. Malachi 3:6 “I am the LORD, I change not.” Whatever the need, we do *not* consider the giants; we do *not* think how *huge* the problem is; but we keep our eyes on the *unseen* God of the Bible.

Caleb said Numbers 14:9 “Rebel not ye against the LORD, neither fear ye the people of the land; for they are bread for us: their defence is departed from them”—2 Corinthians 4:18 “For the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.”

It was all about believing *trust*, and acting *faith*, on the *unseen God* of the Bible.



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