



Welcome to Rehoboth New Life Center

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The Operation Of Faith

Genesis 11:6 And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.

The dimension of faith



- Hebrews 11:1 ¶ Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen

There is a deep relationship between faith and sight

Faith is seeing the invisible



- Romans 1:20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

Unseen by the physical



- Ephesians 1:18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

The eyes of your understanding!



YOUR MIND: the eyes of your understanding!

- Your soul is the vehicle where faith operates
- And your mind is the
- Engine which powers the process!
- Your mind, is where you “see” things that cannot be sensed!

A darkened understanding means No faith



- Ephesians 4:18 Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

Where the spirit speaks to us

- Romans 7:23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.
- 24 O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?
- 25 I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So **then with the mind I myself serve the law of God**; but with the flesh the law of sin.



Having a transformed Mind Is Necessary for the fullness of faith!



- Romans 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Philippians 2:5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

The operation of faith

Is where believing becomes seeing!



Faith is seeing what has not yet been manifested to your senses

- John 20:24 But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.
- 25 The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.

Believing is seeing



- 2 Kings 6:17 And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, **open his eyes, that he may see.** And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.

Faith is process of making manifest a spiritual possibility



- Mark 11:13 And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon: and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not yet.
- 14 And Jesus answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit of thee hereafter for ever. And his disciples heard it.

Faith is process of making manifest a spiritual possibility



Mark 11:21 And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursedst is withered away.

22 And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God.

23 For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

24 Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

The mind IS the faith organ

- You must “see” the answer!
 - How?
- By imagining it!

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You wont receive it, unless you can see it!

- Two types of vision
- From God



Habakkuk 2:2 And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.

Habakkuk 2:3 For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because **it will surely come**, it will not tarry.

Your own vision



- Job 19:25 For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth:
- 26 And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God:
- 27 Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me.

Job 2:9 Then said his wife unto him,
Dost thou still retain thine integrity?
curse God, and die.

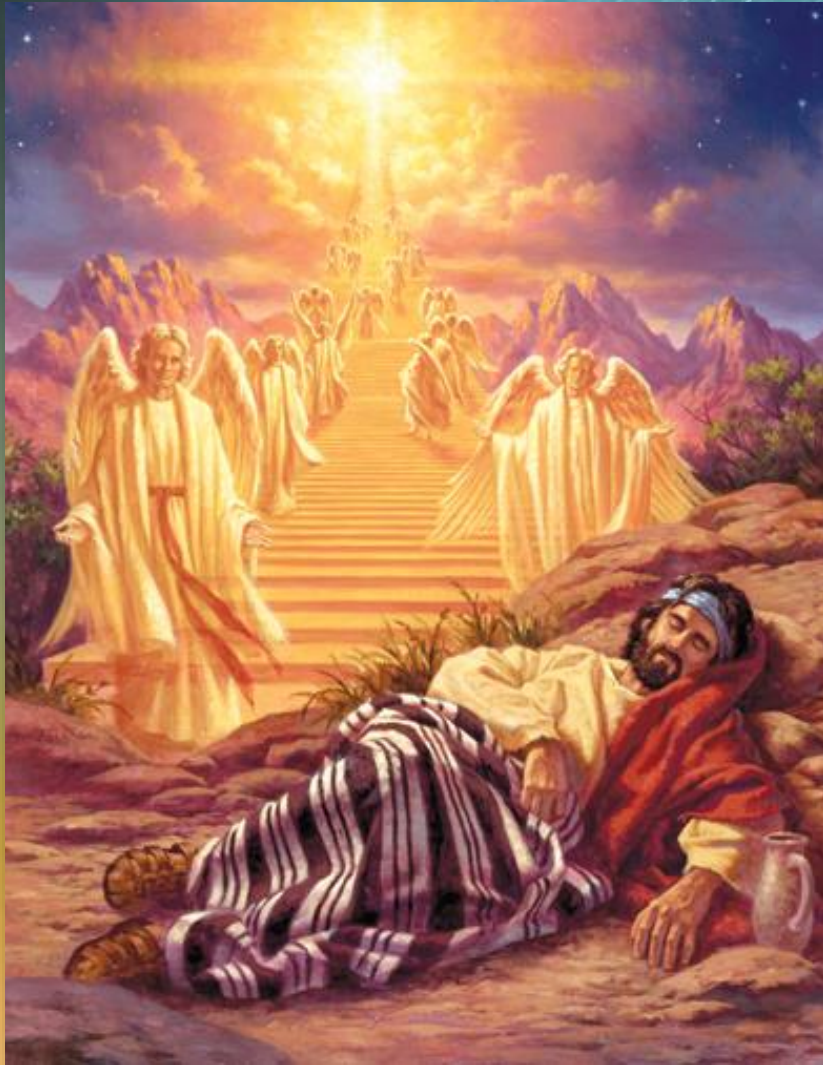
The evidence of things not seen (with natural eyes)



- Hebrews 11:13 These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but **having seen them afar off**, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

Hebrews 11:10 For **he looked** for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

Faith is seeing God



Proverbs 29:18 ¶ Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.

Without a vision you are without faith!

Jacobs dream

Faith is believing and “seeing” your vision



- Acts 2:17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:

Seeing yourself perfect!



Reflected in the mirror of his grace We are made perfect the first step in the operation of faith!

- Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

Hebrews 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.