

Faith for the End Times Walking on the Water of the Impossible Everyday

Overview: Jesus asked this question, “Will I find faith when I return?” What is your answer? Will He find faith, overcoming faith, in you? As the days get worse, as the darkness increases, it is our faith that will cause us to be the “light getting brighter.” He is looking for a body of people which have unwavering trust in Him and which are not swayed by what is experienced by the five senses, feelings or thoughts.

Mat 14:26 And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were **troubled (fear)**, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out **for fear**.

Mat 14:27 But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; **be not afraid**.

Mat 14:28 And Peter answered him and said, Lord, **if it be thou (doubt)**, bid me come unto thee on the water.

Mat 14:29 And he said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. (**Focused on Jesus**)

Mat 14:30 But when he saw the wind boisterous, **he was afraid**; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me. (**A fear-based prayer**)

Mat 14:31 And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou **doubt**?

In Christ, the Water of the Impossible is a more solid surface than the boat of fear, doubt, and unbelief

A. Foundational Understanding

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| 1. God’s Word is His bond with us. God said it, I believe it!! | Isa 46:10-11 |
| 2. Therefore we can trust His Word completely. | Heb 6:18 |
| 3. Make His Word the final authority in our lives. | Pro 30:5 |
| 4. The just (righteous) shall live by faith. | Hab 2:1-4 |
| 5. Whatever is not of faith is sin. | Rom 14:23 |
| 6. Crucified with Christ, live by the faith of the son of God. | Gal 2:20 |
| 7. Without faith it is impossible to please God. | Heb 11:6 |

B. End Times Hindrances to Our Faith

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| 1. Fear | 2 Cor 5:7 |
| a. God has not given us a spirit of fear (timidity). | 2 Tim 1:7 |
| b. Fear can put you in the wrong place at the wrong time. | Ps 91:5-8 |
| c. Fear can open you up to deception. | Matt 24:21-24 |

2. Deception
 - a. The antichrist deceives with lying wonders. 2 Thes 2:9-12
 - b. The Word is the antidote of deception. 2 Tim 3:13-4:4
3. Sin – rejection, offense, unforgiveness, etc.
 - a. Opens the door for the evil one to attack you. John 5:14
 - b. Submit to God, resist the devil, and he will flee. James 4:7
4. Circumstances
 - a. The unseen (spiritual realm) over-rides the seen (natural). 2 Cor 4:16-18
 - b. We walk by faith, not by sight. 2 Cor 5:7
5. Thoughts
 - a. Fiery darts blocked by the shield of faith. Eph 6:16
 - b. Bring every thought captive to the obedience of Christ. 2 Cor 10:5
6. Emotions (passions)
 - a. Jesus bore the emotions that bring a lack of peace. Is 53:4-5
 - b. Put aside anger, wrath, malice, evil speaking, strife, jealousy. Eph 4:31-32
7. Words
 - a. Don't speak what you have or see, speak what you want. Rom 4:17
 - b. A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver. Prov 25:11
 - c. Let no unwholesome word proceed out of your mouth. Eph 4:29

C. End Times Specific Steps of Faith

1. Watch and Pray Luke 21:36
 - a. For yourself, family, church, neighborhood, city, state, country, government, and the world.
 - b. For righteousness, peace, grace, salvation, deliverance, love, truth, revival, etc. to prevail.
 - c. Pull down strongholds of homosexuality, moral impurity, drugs, anti-christ spirit, strife, etc. by releasing the hosts of heaven.
 - d. For influencers: five-fold ministers, movie industry, journalism, sports, music industry, technology, political figures.
 - e. For protection; yourself, family, ministers, church, Christians, United States, Israel, etc.
2. Occupy until Jesus returns (keep doing kingdom business). Luke 19:12-26
3. Be Ministers of Reconciliation. 2 Cor 5:18-20
4. Live out Holiness, without spot and blameless, as we see the day drawing near. 2 Pet 3:11,14
5. Live by Faith and Patience to overcome. Rev 13:10; 14:12

