

# Faith!

Faith is more than thinking something is possible. It is a divine hurricane that grips you! It completely fills you. You become gripped by it! Retreat is out of the question! What God has purchased for you, you won't be content until you obtain it. Jesus looks for people who choose to live in this vital realm. It is the realm of the miraculous! God is glorified by miracles. When we act in simple obedience to His word miracles show up. But do not expect the great miracles of God to come along cheap pathways of faith. This obedience will cost you your very life. Difficult? Of course! Look what Paul exposes regarding this in Second Corinthians 4:7 ...

*"We have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us. We are hard-pressed ... we are perplexed ... we are persecuted ... we are struck down. But, at the same time, we are not crushed; we are not in despair; we are not forsaken; we are not destroyed!"*

In verse 11 he summarizes:

*"We who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh."*

His miracles always show up when we are at our weakest! But once we are gripped by faith, once we have seen Jesus, our lives will never be the same! Retreat? No way! We must obtain! Our heart is strengthened, and we move forward, not in our own strength, but in the Power of God. Christ in you, the Hope of glory!

God always sees more in our hearts than we see. When God called Moses he was the runaway who said he *would not*, he *could not*, and he *did not* want to go! Yet he went to Pharaoh anyway and did just as the Lord commanded him. In Hebrews Moses is called a man of great faith! So, when you are hard-pressed, persecuted, or struck down remember this: You are still not forsaken nor destroyed! Instead, you are being positioned for a miracle! And God will get the glory. Just continue being established by the Lord and watch faith fight for you. It will take on more substance in your life day by day!

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