

Transcript – I Believe

Shabbat shalom again. I think the Torah reading from Romans will be a good introduction to the message I am going to give today. It's called, *I Believe. I Believe*; it's going to be a message about faith. I want to start in Mark 9:17.

Mar 9:17-19 *And one answered out of the crowd, saying, Teacher, I brought my son to You, having a spirit that does not speak. And whenever it overtakes him, it knocks him down and he foams at the mouth and gnashes his teeth and becomes paralyzed. And I asked your disciples to cast him out, and they were not able to. And answering them, He said, **O generation that is unfaithful!** How long will I be with you? How long shall I endure you? Bring him to Me.*

Mar 9:20-22 *And they brought him to him and when the spirit saw him, it knocked him down at once, and he fell on the ground and violently shaken and he was foamed at the mouth. And He questioned his father, How long a time is it while this has happened to him? And he said, From childhood. And often it threw him both into fire and into water, that it might destroy him. But if You are able to do anything, **help us**, having pity on us.*

Mar 9:23-24 *And Yahshua said to him, **If you are able to believe, all things are possible to the ones believing.** And at once the father of the boy cried out while mourning and said, I believe my Master. **Help the lack of my faith!** ...And sometimes it says ... *Help my unbelief.**

What is he talking about? "*Help, I believe.*" **Help my lack of trust is really what he is saying.** And that is really what I want to talk about today because Luke 18 ... maybe I'll read that before I comment here.

Luk 18:7-9 *Will not Elohim do all the more vengeance for His elect who call on Him by day and by night? And He will be long-suffering with them. I say to you that He will do their vengeance quickly. Nevertheless, **the Son of Man will indeed come, and will He find faith on earth?** And He also spoke this parable to some of those relying on themselves, that they are righteous, and despising the rest*

So I think, the first thing I always say when you are getting into subjects, you have to define what a subject is and I think the biggest problem is, people don't know what the word 'faith' means. You know, when we hear things like 'grace', when we hear things like 'justification', when we hear things like 'sanctification'; these are words that most people have no idea what they mean. And proof of it is, many times talking to somebody about 'the trinity' and you'll go into it. And one minute they'll be saying there's three, one minute they're saying there's two, one minute they're saying there's one. And then you say, "Well is it one or is it three?" And they keep contradicting themselves and when you really pin them in the corner, their answer is "**Well, I just believe it in faith.**" And they think faith is blind and faith is not blind.

And the problem is today what most people think is faith, is not faith. It's actually hope; **they are hoping things are there but it's not faith** that they believe because like the man said here *I believe but help my lack of trust.*

So if I were to say to you, "Do you believe it's going to rain tomorrow?" And you might say, "Ya, I believe it's going to rain tomorrow, I was listening to the news last night and they said it's going to rain." And if I were to say to you, "Would you risk your eternal salvation on whether it rains tomorrow?" Your answer would be, "No, no, of course I wouldn't." Why not, you just said you believe it? If you believe it then it's got to happen. So there's a difference between belief and conviction. There's a big difference between belief and conviction and that's really what I want to get into today because **without conviction you don't have faith; all you have is hope.** You know, it's something that you think, it's something you hope but it's not faith. **Faith is conviction, absolute conviction.** So if we go to Hebrews 11:1.

Heb 11:1 *Now faith is the **substance** of things being hoped, and it was the substance of things that have come to pass, and the **evidence** of things not having been seen.*

So isn't it kind of interesting, in the case of the trinity which is most times when you are talking to people, when you ask them questions and they can't back their doctrine and they say, "Well, I just believe it in faith." And they are thinking that faith is blind but **the Bible tells us the definition of faith is far from being blind. It's evidence, it's substance, it's reality and it's full assurance.** So it's that there is **no doubt in your mind**, no doubt in your mind.

You know, it's like if you went to work and your husband was back at home, you know, or you went to the store and let's say your husbands back at home. And you are talking to somebody in the checkout line and they say, "Oh, how are you doing? Do you have family?" And you say, "Oh, ya. I have a husband at home and he is with my two children." Well, how do you know that's true? He's not there in front of you; you don't see your husband but in faith and assurance you know. In conviction you know that he is there because you just saw him beforehand.

So faith isn't something you have to see before your eyes but **it's a conviction, 100%, that what is being said is true.** And I am telling you it's a big problem because Yahshua says here, *When the Son of Man comes, will He find faith? Will He find conviction? Will He find assurance?* And the answer is No, He won't find it. You know, He's not going to find assurance. The same way we say, you know, the Christian churches, they all teach revival in the end time. They all teach all these billions of people coming to faith. And what does Yahshua say? *Master, in the end, will many be saved?* Very simple question; His answer is real simple. **No, many will not be saved. Go through the narrow road because narrow is the way, constricted is the road to eternal life, few will get there. Wide is the road and broad is the way to destruction and many will take it.** So, it's the same way here. This is so important, why? Because look at verse 6 of Hebrews.

Heb 11:6 *But without faith ... without conviction ... it is impossible to please YAHWEH. For it is right that the one drawing near to YAHWEH should believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those that diligently seek him.*

So most people will say, "Ya, I believe Yahweh is." You know why? Because the alternative is too scary to think about. It's too scary to think about, what if we are wrong? What if the atheists are right and there is nothing there and we all came from a bang. We don't want to think about that. So we want to say He's there but it's not only belief that He is, that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him; **it's a complete trust in His promises** and to actually believe that He is and not trust in His promises, you know what that is? That's **the unpardonable sin**; that's knowing He's there, having His Spirit in you and there's no doubt in your mind that yes, Yahweh is true ... **You just don't believe Him!** And that's why when Yahshua said here in Luke 18 *Will the Son of Man find faith when He comes?* And then it says *He spoke a parable to those relying on themselves.*

And this is the problem ... that Babylon has created a system where people are thinking they have faith and they have self-reliance. They don't have faith in Yahweh; they are having self-reliance. They hope that it's there but like I said, as we are going to see, faith is conviction and faith is action. You know, if you see smoke, if this building was burning and we saw smoke over here and flames of fire, are we going to sit here and say, "I, in faith, believe if it's Yahweh's will, I'll walk out of that door." Of course not! If this thing was in flames and smoke and fire was everywhere, you wouldn't even have to think about it. We'd all would be running for the door. You know why? Because it's a conviction; fire will kill. Every human being knows that; look at Sodom and Gomorrah. But somehow when it comes to Yahweh, we think differently.

Seven commands, direct commands to leave the land of Babylon and people still say, "If Yahweh tells me to leave ..."
What Bible are you reading? What Bible are you reading, you don't have conviction, you know, because if you had conviction, conviction means you act on what you're doing.

And that is why, how many times you meet somebody, you start witnessing ... let's say about the Sabbath day. And they say, "Hmm, you know, what you are saying, that really sounds right." Then your showing them in the Bible and they say, "Wow, you know something, that seems to be right what you are saying that the Sabbath seems to be Saturday and not

Sunday.” But then the next thing is, if you’re really convicted, you have to go in to your boss and say, “I’m leaving my job. I know I’m making \$150,000 a year but I am leaving this because this is a sin if I work on Saturday and I might lose my eternal life.” So people may believe that Saturday is the Sabbath but they are not, they are not that convicted because **they have more conviction in the system of Babylon than they have in the promises of Yahweh.** And that’s what Yahweh says, if you have that, you can’t please Him and you can’t make it into His kingdom. ***It is impossible to please Yahweh if you don’t believe He’s a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.*** So do you, are you convicted that Yahweh is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him?

Are you convicted, not only do you believe it but are you convicted? Because I will give you an example; if the neighbor came in to us and said, “I need some help, guys. Now I have a lot of money, money’s not the problem. If you guys can come here on Sunday and you could rake my leaves on my property for two hours, I’ll give each of you a million dollars.” Let’s be honest, who would say no? None of us; none of us would because that’s a pretty good trade, two hours raking leaves, a million dollars. Wow, you know what we can do? We can help the poor, we can do this, we can build more kibbutzes; lot of stuff you can do. So every one of us would be convicted that this person is going to perform what they say that they are promising us because we may do that two hours work and they may not give us a million dollars but we would be so convicted that that neighbor is going to tell the truth and give us the money, we’d do it.

So why is it any different with Yahweh? Why is it, Yahweh tells us we are living in the last days, the little bit of work you do right now, how much longer is each one of us going to live? One year, five years, twenty years; not very long, maybe 30 years and He says *Whatever you do, starting today until My kingdom comes, I am going to give you a million times over. I’m going to make you a king and a priest and you are going to live with Me forever.* And what do we do? We go back to our jobs; we go back to our works. We don’t work for Yahweh and you know what that means. You don’t have faith. You don’t have faith. **You put faith in the world,** you put faith in worldly education, you put faith in worldly bosses. You certainly believe them because everybody’s got that paycheck at the end of the week but you are not believing Yahweh. **You’re not believing Yahweh’s promises** that says that if you work for Me now, I’ll give you eternity. Let’s look at a couple of scriptures.

Rev 22:12 Yahshua says, Revelation, the end of the book. Look what He says ... *And behold, I am coming soon, and My reward is with Me, to give to each according to his work. **My reward is with Me, to give to each according to his work.***

John 15, you know, unless you bear fruit, you are cut off; you go to the Lake of Fire. **Do you believe these things?** Because this is my point, we can understand the analogy very simple with the neighbor asking us to work two hours and giving us the million dollars. How much time is the rest of your life from today until the kingdom comes compared to eternity? How much time is that? How much time even if Yahshua delayed His coming and you lived another 50 years, what is that to eternity?

You know, I always tell this story when I was first learning about the truth, a cousin of mine was telling me eternity, what does eternity mean? He said if you had a mountain that was 3,000 feet high and bird came once a year and just pecked his beak on that mountain ... Think about that, a 3,000 foot mountain, once a year a bird just pecks his beak. From the time it takes that mountain to get down to land-level which is zillions and billions of years, that’s one second of eternity. Do you believe it? Are you convicted of it? Because if you are, you’ve got to work for Yahweh. You’re going to stop living to the world, you’re going to stop living to all the things of the world and you are going to work for Yahweh because you know that Yahweh is a rewarder. Let me read it again.

Heb 11:6 *But without faith it is impossible to please YAHWEH. For it is right that the one drawing near to YAHWEH should believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those that diligently seek him.*

And if you believe this with all your heart and you're **convicted with all your heart**, you will work for Yahweh every day knowing that whatever you do, He's recording it in heaven and **Yahshua's coming back and His reward is with Him** to give to each according to his work. Are you convicted or are you convicted? It's one or the other. And I'm telling you it's the spirit of Babylon in people that is taking that conviction away. Luke 19:12, we see it again because it's all over the New Testament.

Luk 19:12 *Then He said: A certain well-born man went to a distant country to receive a kingdom for himself, and to return ... Who's he talking about? Yahshua, he's talking about Yahshua going up to heaven and now He's in heaven waiting to come back.*

Luk 19:13-14 *And calling ten of his slaves ... Here we are, right? ... he gave to them ten minas and said to them, Trade and keep busy until I come. But the citizens of his city ... The Jews here in Israel ... hated him and sent ambassadors after him. And they were saying, "We do not want this man to rule over us." ... Here we are today. We are in Israel, we see the same thing.*

Luk 19:15 *And it happened as he returned ...Yahshua's coming back ... having received the kingdom ... Praise Yahweh! ... he even said for those servants to be called to him, those to whom he gave the silver, that he might know what each had gained by trading ... Now what is the silver? It's the Holy Spirit in you. Each of us He has given gifts of the Holy Spirit, not for us to go out and everyone says, "Wow, look how good you are. You can speak 5 languages, you can cast out demons." No, He has given us these gifts to bear fruit for His kingdom because He's coming back with His reward and He is going to reward us on what we did. And as we are going to see, if we did nothing, you are not going to get a reward.*

Luk 19:16-17 *And the first came, saying, Master, your mina ... Your Spirit ... has gained ten minas ... 10 times the Spirit ... Luk 19:17 And he said to him, Well done, good slave! Because you were faithful in a least thing, have authority over ten cities ... Right? **We are going to kings and priests in the kingdom** that is coming and you have no idea when He comes if He is going to put China, if He's going to put you over Russia. Maybe He'll put you over Mars. Who knows what He's going to do in the time to come.*

Luk 19:18-21 *And the second came, saying, Master, your mina has made five minas. And he said to this one also, And you be over five cities. And another came, saying, Master, behold your mina which I have stored up in a facecloth. For I feared you, because you are a harsh man, taking what you did not lay down, and reaping what you did not sow ... So all this guy did was make excuses, right? The same as people do today. You know, "Hey, I work for Yahweh but I can't ... I'm a single mother ... I'm unemployed ... I have a bad leg ..." You know, there's always a reason why someone can't work for Yahweh. But look what His answer is.*

Luk 19:22-25 *But he said to him, I will judge you out of your own mouth, wicked slave. You knew that I am a harsh man, taking what I did not lay down, and reaping what I did not sow. And why did you not give my silver on the bank table? And coming, I might have exacted it with interest ... **He didn't even do the least of it. He did nothing, absolutely nothing** ... And to those standing by, he said, Take the mina from him, and give it to him who has ten minas. And they said to him, Master, he has ten minas.*

Luk 19:26 *For I say to you, To everyone who has, it will be given. And from the one who does not have, even what he has will be taken from him ... The Holy Spirit, so **if you have the Holy Spirit and you are using it, Yahweh is going to give you more of it and you are going to grow in it.** And I am telling you, we are in a time now where He' starting pour His Spirit out on His people. Is it just arbitrarily go out on everybody? No, it's not. It's going to go on the people that are pleading with Him saying, "Father, give me Your Spirit!" and the ones that are using it. And the more you use it, the more that Spirit is going to grow. But I am telling you, the latter rain has started. The latter rain has started and you can receive it if you ask Him to receive it.*

We are rewarded eternally for the fruit we bear now. Do you believe it? Are you convicted? Because, by definition, if you are convicted you will act on it; that's what conviction means. You know, what is your priority? **Your priority is what you get done**, that's the definition of priority. The thing you get done is your priority. So if you are getting done all the worldly things and you are not getting done Yahweh's things, it's not your priority and it's not your conviction and you don't have faith. But again, admittance is the first step to recovery.

You know this could be a great message but the message is here to encourage the people to realize *I don't have the faith I need but I want it*. But the ones that are going to sit there and deny it and think they have the faith when they don't; you're never going to change. You have to realize what you don't have and you have to pray to Yahweh and you have to ask Him for it.

Joh 11:22-27 *But even now I know ... This is when Yahshua is with Lazarus, right? And He comes and Lazarus is in the grave and Mary is there and says ... But even now I know that whatever You may ask YAHWEH ... She says this to Yahshua ... He will give to You. Yahshua said to her, Your brother will arise ... Ah, Martha, not Mary ... Martha said to Him, I know that he will rise again in the resurrection in the last day. Yahshua said to her, I AM the Resurrection and the Life. He who believes in Me will never die! Do you believe this? ... Are you convicted of this? ... She said to Him, Yes, Master, I believe that You are the Messiah, the Son of Elohim who comes into the world.*

And you know, we are getting in very very hard times, difficult times. The world is turning into chaos. The 'new normal' that's there, immorality that is changing into to so called morality. But at the end of the day, are you convicted of this? Because every single human being that ever lived, right? You can go to Hebron and the bones of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob are still there in Hebron in that grave 'til today. You can go to the City of David's bones are in the grave over there in the City of David. Do you know that almost every Bible figure that you could read here, they are all laying here in Israel? They are all here with us; they're just in the grave. **There is one person though who is not in His grave.** Go to the Garden Tomb, look at the sign, "He is not here, He is risen."

Are we convicted of that? Because that's the conviction that will change your life because, you know what? If you can't pay your bills, if you have cancer, if you're sick; none of it will matter, if they are going to put you in prison because **Yahshua was raised from the dead and He's sitting at the right hand of the Father right now. Then that means that we will also be raised with Him at His coming.** Are you convicted? And if you are not working for Yahweh every day of your life, if you're working for some crummy job that's going to not be here in a couple of years, you know, if you're going for 15 years of stinking worldly education that means absolutely nothing except in this world and if your life is only for you and the picket fence and the 2 ½ children; then you are not convicted. And if you are convicted, then you are the stupidest person in the world because you are **committing the unpardonable sin.** You're knowing that Yahweh is real, you're knowing that this is real and you are still living for yourself in the world.

Just like Yahshua said, *Will the Son of Man find faith and He taught them the parable about those relying on themselves* and that's **the deception of Babylon.** You know, what do they tell the young girls you know in the west? Go get an education because you're going to get older, you're going to marry some jerk; he's going to leave you and you're going to be on your own. Rely on yourself; don't rely on anybody. And Yahweh says the opposite, He says, "You rely on Me."

Remember at the parting of the Red Sea and what are they saying? *Were there not enough graves in Egypt that you took us out here?* And what did Moses say? *Stand back and see the salvation of Yahweh, the Y'shua of Yahweh. These Egyptians you see today, you will see them no more.* And then, what did he tell them? He told them to hold their peace. **Yahweh will fight for you and you be silent. That's conviction.** And the problem is, today people are not standing back and letting Yahweh's Salvation go. They are fighting their own battles and they are losing those battles over and over and over and then they are blaming other people. You know, they want to blame Yahweh, they want to blame whoever. Stand back, stand back and let Yahweh fight those battles; that's what conviction is. **He wants to fight those battles for**

you. The only thing that stops them is you because you have free choice. So all you have to do is say, "Dad, get involved." And believe me when I say, He will get involved. He will get involved.

Do you believe with all your heart that the resurrection happened? Are you convicted, is there absolutely zero doubt in your mind because, like is said, if that happened then there is nothing that can harm us because if it happened to Yahshua, that means it will happen to us. Romans 3, Romans 3 or Romans 4:3, I'm sorry.

Rom 4:3 For what does the Scripture say? "And **Abraham believed YAHWEH, and it was counted to him for righteousness.**"... He believed, he was convicted ... *Abraham, get up and walk* ... Abraham got up and walked, no questions asked because, you know what? All things work for the good and if Yahweh says something, I don't need to know why He said it.

You know, when we started doing mixed clothing, I had no idea why. I didn't understand it. All I knew was, it says it, so I'm going to do it. So we don't have to scientifically know why every single law in the Torah is there, although of course, Yahweh has a reason for everything but whether we know why it's there or not; **we are doing it because we are convicted that every single thing that Yahweh tells us is for our good.** That's what He says. There is no doubt in our mind that He would tell us something that wouldn't be for our good. We drop down to verse 17

Rom 4:17-20 according as it has been written, "I have appointed you a father of many nations;" ... That's Abraham's blessing for obedience ... *before Elohim, whom He believed, the One making the dead live, and calling the things that are not as if they were. He against hope believed in hope, for him to become a father of many nations, according to what has been said, "So shall your seed be."* And being about a hundred years old, he **never weakened in faith**, even when he examined his old body, nor the deadness of Sarah's womb, And he did not hesitate at the promise of Elohim, as one lacking faith; but he was **strong in faith, and gave glory to Elohim;**

So, here's a guy, right, Yahweh starts telling him at 75 years old that you are going to have this child; he gets 80, he gets 90, he gets 95. Where's the child? We hear it all the time, "Oh, they've been saying this about prophecy for all this time. Oh, there's always been bad weather. Oh, there's always been earthquakes. Oh, there's always been this." *Being a hundred years old, he never weakened in faith ... never weakened in faith.* He sees his body growing old, he doesn't know if he's going to die but **he doesn't weaken in faith because he believes, he's convicted that He believes that every single thing that Yahweh says is true.** And how much do we in our life deny Him, deny Him and we don't even realize it? That we are denying His promises, we're denying what He's saying. We see it before us, what He's shown us.

You know, all you have to do is go to **Daniel 12:4** ... you know ... *in the end time people will be running to and fro and knowledge will be increased.* We are seeing it like never before so let the soothsayer, let the atheist, let them sit there and say, "There has always been knowledge." Oh, Ya? When has there ever been airplanes? When has there ever been trains? When has there ever been CERN? When has there ever been any of these things? There hasn't been. And the reason why they don't want to admit it is because they don't want to be convicted because when you're convicted you're going to act; that's what conviction means. As we are going to see, faith without works is dead. **If you are convicted, you will act and that's the point. If you are not acting, you are Laodicean.** If you are convicted, you are going to act. In verse 21

Rom 4:21-25 and **felt assured**, that what YAHWEH had promised to him, he was able to fulfill.(Heb 11:6) *Because of this, "it was also counted to him for righteousness." But it was not written for him only, that it was counted to him, but also on account of us, to whom it is about to be counted, to the ones believing on Him who has raised our Master Yahshua from the dead, who was delivered because of our offences, and was raised because of our justification.*

You know, and I'm not here to shove that down anybody's throat who doesn't want to hear it but I am here to shove it down my own throat every day of my life because I believe it, I'm convicted and no matter what anybody says, like I say, at the end of the day, **you don't have to believe it but all that matters is if it's true or not.** And I can prove it; I can prove it to anybody, the same way we can prove this Bible is true. **We can prove that Yahshua was resurrected.** We can prove it. You know how you can prove it? Because there were **500 witnesses that saw it** and the Jews were around in that time and they wrote all this bad stuff about Yahshua. They never once said one of those witnesses was lying. They never once denied what the witnesses were saying. A matter of fact, **in the Talmud, it says "Yes, Yahshua did the miracles. Yes, He walked on water. Yes, He raised the dead. Yes, He healed the cripple."** In their own writings they say it and still they don't believe. That's between them and Yahweh but is it true? Absolutely, it's true and I'm convicted. I'm convicted because it's true. That's why it's convicted. Then again conviction is going to bring action. So He didn't only do this for Abraham, but He also did it for us.

Revelation 3 because like I said, there's a **false faith out there**; there's people claiming that they believe but they are not acting out of conviction.

Rev 3:14-15 And to the messenger of the congregation of Laodicea, write: These things says the Amen, the faithful and true Witness, the Head of the creation of Elohim: I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I would that you were cold, or hot. So, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I am about to vomit you out of My mouth ... And this is a clear-cut sign that you are Laodicean, if you have no conviction because like I said, **conviction will bring action**; that's the definition of conviction. If there is no action, then you have to start looking if you're a Laodicean.

Rev 3:17 Because you say, I am rich, and I am made rich, and I have need of nothing, and do not know that you are miserable and a wanderer and poor and blind and naked ... That's the Laodicean. The Laodicean is out there and they are poor, they're blind and naked.

And I'll tell you a story of my own because all I can do is look at my own heart and I can say this with conviction because when I left America, **I thought I was one of the faithful ones.** I thought, well I believe this, I'm leaving because I'm believing and once I left, I found out I was a Laodicean. I found out. I left America. We left with money, we left with 10 years of food, we left with a container of possessions that little by little it all went. But then all of sudden, **I realized I had no faith.** Now, can you imagine how that feels? To be a Laodicean, to think you are rich and increased with goods, to think you are leaving ... because look at all these people, they are not leaving and I'm one of the faithful ones. And you get down there and you realize ... you have no faith.

And like I said, for me to cry out to Yahweh, it wasn't for any other reason but I had nothing else to turn to. I was broken, I had nothing else to turn to but **I realized it's not my faith, it's His faith.** The way you are going to get faith is to realize that we don't have faith. **You can't work faith up, it's His faith.** But if you ask Him, He's faithful to give it to you. You know it's one of the fruits of His Spirit, is faith. And I'm telling you, it was a scary situation but I realized, every single thing in the flesh you rely on, is the less faith you are going to have. So you know, whether electricity, houses, education, jobs, 401K, health care; none of these things are wrong in themselves but the **system of Babylon makes you rely on all these things in your life and the people have no idea that they are faithless.** And that's one thing I can say, it's not to criticize, I'm saying it as one who overcame it, that if you're living in the system of Babylon, you do not have faith ... or very little of it. And **the only way you will gain faith is coming out of that system because the more you're relying on anything except Yahweh, you're not going to have faith.**

Think about it. When you get sick, what is the first thing you do? Do you call the elder and ask for anointing or do you run to the medicine cabinet or to the doctor? What's the first thing you're doing? You know, if your whole life ... we realized it when we left that my whole life, whenever I needed something, I'd just write a cheque out, pulled out a credit card. I would never pray to Yahweh for food. Why would I have to? I'd just buy it. And it was the greatest blessing in our

life when He allowed us to rely on Him. We had absolutely nothing but praying to Him, He said, “Don’t worry. **This is My promise; as long as you believe it, I’ll give it to you.**” And I went out that day and you know what happened? I found 2 cents in the street and that was His conviction to me that “I’m not going to leave you; there’s that 2 cents.” And we would say every time, “The covenant continues.” And you want to know something? As the weeks and the months and the years went on, those cents went into nickels to dimes to quarters to half dollars to fives to tens to fifties. Every single time we left our house, we’d find money. On average, we were finding between \$100 and \$200 a month which paid our rent and paid our food.

We would walk down the street and all of a sudden, people that didn’t even speak English would call us over and they would give us a basket of fruit. We would say, “What’s this?” And they would point up to heaven and we’d say, “The covenant continues.” And when it first starts, this is when I realized I didn’t have faith because when it first started, you’re on this rush but then you wonder, *Is it going to happen tomorrow?* And you are hoping it’s going to happen but you’re not convicted. But then, after day, after day, after day, after day, after week, after week, after month, after year; now I realize Yahweh will fulfill His promise like it says in **Hebrews 11:6** *He’s a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.* You have to believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. So I have no doubt anymore. He’s done it over and over and over. **There’s not an ounce of doubt in my life that everything He says, He’s going to complete.**

There’s a story that I have told many times that built our faith when we were over in Europe and times were rough. We were talking to a family we knew here in the land and they were having a rough time and we said, “Well, we don’t have any money to get there but if we could get there, what do you need?” They had 6 children; they said the kids really need shoes. We prayed; we went outside. What did we find? Near a dumpster, a shoe store threw out 3 big bags of brand new shoes never worn before. We come home, we start laying them out; every size for their children. Even I got slippers. I think I still have those slippers today. So Yahweh is really good.

Then we said, “But we don’t have the money.” Somebody comes up to us ... we never told anybody, you know we were trying to get back to Israel ... Somebody came up and said, “You know something? I prayed today and you’re to go to Israel and Yahweh said give you the money.” Put it in our hand and there we were. But these stories happen over and over and over, why? Because we believed it, because we believed it and like I said, until I started praying to Yahweh for everything ...

I told you the story about when we were in Italy and we had a broken cistern just like it talks about in Jeremiah. You know, like he says, *a cistern that holds no water.* And I thought to myself because we were praying for rain and I said, “Wow, this is the first time in my life I ever prayed for rain.” I always remember praying against rain. “We’re going to have a picnic Sunday. Let’s pray it doesn’t rain.” And now I’m praying for rain, the most basic thing in life. You know why? Because in the Babylonian system, just turn on the faucet. And even today, they are having the worst drought in more than a thousand years in California and people still say, “Ah, they’ll figure out a way. You know, I just turn on the faucet and one way or another, they are going to get me water.” Don’t be too sure. Don’t be too sure. If we don’t rely on Yahweh in these end times, I’m telling you we have to realize it. You have to realize there is a difference between belief and trust, belief and conviction.

Jacob 2:19 tells us that even the demons believe. You know even the demons believe but they are not convicted. They don’t trust in Yahweh. So belief on its own is not enough. You have to be convicted. And Yahweh tells, if you continue in Revelation 3.

Rev 3:18-21 *I advise you to buy from Me gold having been fired by fire, that you may be rich; and white garments, that you may be clothed, and your shame and nakedness may not be revealed. And anoint your eyes with eye salve, that you may see ... That’s the key to it ... “I, as many as I love, I rebuke and I chasten.” Be zealous, then, and repent. Behold, I*

stand at the door "and knock:" If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will enter to him, and I will dine with him, and he with Me. The one overcoming, I will give to him to sit with Me in My throne, as I also overcame and sat with My Father in His throne. The one who has an ear, hear what the Spirit says to the congregations.

He's coming, He's coming and once He comes, He'll be sitting on that throne forever and everything we see in this system will be gone and that's why I say, "Are you living for this system or are living for the next one?" We've all got to work, we've all got to provide for our families but we can choose what job we do. Are we doing something that is helping the problem or are just out there in some meaningless job to get money for your own self-preservation? But He says *I stand at the door and knock*. He's knocking today, He's knocking to each of us, He's knocking to each of us. Like I said, it's His faith, we need to ask.

Luke 11 because a lot of times **people will have pride and they'll think it's faith**. You know, like I said, talk to somebody about the trinity. They get all upset, "Well, you know what ... Well, **I just believe**. Ya well, I believe because I want to believe." That's not belief because, like I said, because what is belief? Belief is evidence, belief is substance, belief is reality; belief is not blind. So sometimes pride will stop somebody from asking but if we humble our self before Yahweh and ask Him; as a loving Father, He is willing to give it to us.

Luk 11:9-13 *And I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you For everyone asking receives, and the one seeking finds, and to the one knocking, it will be opened...Like we said, Yahweh is knocking ... And who among you if he is a father, if his son asks for bread, will he give him a stone? And if he asks a fish, will he give him a snake instead of a fish? And if he should ask an egg, will he give him a scorpion? And if you who are evil, you know to give good gifts to your children, **how much more your Father from Heaven will give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him.***

But we have to humble ourselves, see that's what Yahweh wants. **To get into the kingdom, it's 100% reliance in Him**. That's why I say, in the third world countries, the reason why they have more faith, the reason why they are able to surrender to Yahweh is because they have nothing. You know, they are starting the kibbutz in Ethiopia because they are all starting with nothing, so it's easy to put nothing together. But just like the miracle of the fish and the loaves, you'd be surprised when you put a lot of nothing together that you wind up with something. And these people, they are on their own; now have cows, have this that somehow that it was donated. It wasn't given to them for nothing; of their own they are doing it. So you'd be surprised if we'd humble our self, that we ask Yahweh, how much He can bless His people. **Ask and you will receive.**

Mat 10:37-39 *The one loving father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And the one loving son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. And whoever does not take up his torture stake and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. The one finding his life shall lose it. And the one losing his life on account of Me shall find it.*

And I was saying, are you convicted, do you believe it? And if you do, *unless you forsake everything, you cannot be My disciple*. We do this in our disciple class in our school. It's pretty simple ... that when you look at the cost and you count the cost to be a disciple, you know what it is? Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, life for life. So we had a worthless, pathetic life in the world; I've got no problem giving that life up. And **now that Yahshua can live in me and that whatever He can do with me if I surrender to Him ... praise Him for that**. Where is the boasting? There is no boasting because it's Him doing it. **But when we hold our life back and we want to live the old life and we want the eternal life together; that's Babylon** and you're not going to get it. You're not going to get it because when you go under that water of baptism and you accept the blood of Yahshua, you accept His beating, His mockery, spitting on Him; you accept everything He went through, there's a sacrifice you've got to make and it's eye for eye, tooth for tooth and life for life. And like He says here, if you put anything before Him, if you put anything before Him, you're not worthy of Him.

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Are you finding your life in Babylon? **Do you love the captivity more than the reward** because if you really really believe this Bible, we see all the signs to know we are getting close. And that shouldn't frighten us that should excite us because that means very very shortly, you know, that one day will go into another and a month and another but very very shortly, **in a few short years Yahshua's feet will stand on that Mount of Olives** and then that's it! He is here forever. He's not coming for 42 months, He's not coming for 1,260 days, He's not coming for 7 years; **He's coming for eternity. And He is coming for those who love His coming to reign with Him as kings and priests in the universe.** Do you believe it? Are you convicted? And if you are convicted, you are going to act on it.

1Co 6:19-20 *Or do you not know that your body is a sanctuary of the Holy Spirit in you, which you have from YAHWEH, and you are not of yourselves? You were bought with a price; then glorify YAHWEH in your body, and in your spirit, which belong to YAHWEH ... You were bought with a price and a great price that was* because the Creator of the universe, the Eternal Being that has no beginning and no end, came here for 33 years like I said, in a physical body. Pooped in His diapers as a baby, you know; got sick as a young boy and a young man; went through all kinds of things, discouragement, rejected by friends and family and even His disciples; went through suffering and pain; was mocked as He was being tortured and crucified and **He did it for us.** He did it for each of us so that we can be in the position now that eternal life is in us and we're just waiting for His return to change this world around. Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, life for life; you were bought with a price. Did you count the cost when you became a believer? **You can't live your life in Babylon and think you have faith in Yahweh;** you don't. You don't. How convicted are you?

Luk 17:5 *And the apostles said to our Master, Give us more faith ...* Give us more faith, right? Because, if you have more faith, the conviction, then automatically you're going to do something. What we need is that conviction though.

Luk 17:6-10 *He said to them, If you had faith as a grain of mustard, you may say to this sycamore tree, Be rooted up and be planted in the sea! And it would obey you. But which of you having a servant plowing or tending a flock will immediately say to him coming out of the field, Come, recline? But will he not say to him, Prepare something that I may eat, and having girded yourself, serve me until I eat and drink, and after these things you shall eat and drink? What thanks does he receive, that servant, because he did the thing that he was commanded? I don't think so! Likewise even you, when you have done all the things that are commanded, you say that we are idle servants because we have done only what we ought to do.*

So what is He saying? When they are asking Him for more faith, what does He say? **The way you get faith is by fulfilling your role as a servant.** The problem is, with this Babylonian mindset we don't want to be servants, we want to be kings in Babylon, in the system of Babylon and we don't want to serve, we want to be served. And that's what He is saying, "You want your faith increased? Become a servant." **Become a servant because then Yahweh ... you're going to rely on Yahweh** because the servant doesn't have anything but to serve the Master. And He will give you faith because He is going to take care of you. And that's what faith is; the more He's taking care of you, the more you're going to rely on Him.

You know the smitah year is coming this Yom Teruah and I honestly, I encourage everybody; take a year of your life ... you know, we are all at this such an important pivotal part ... **take a year of your life and dedicate the whole smitah to Yahweh and Yahshua.** Make it a year of getting back to the wilderness, turning back to Him, dedicate this year to Him with all your heart, your mind and your soul and your strength. And I will guarantee you, when that smitah is ending ... Whatever happens during the smitah year, who knows? You might have the end of Babylon, you might have financial crashes, you may or may not ... But I will guarantee you, if you dedicate that year to Yahweh, at the end of that year, you

will have 10 times more faith than you have today; that I'll guarantee you. I don't know what's going to happen in world events. Like I said, it may or may not happen. We are seeing a lot of the signs but I will guarantee you that you will have more faith than you have today. Jacob 2:14

Jac 2:14 *My brothers, what is the gain if anyone says he has faith, but he does not have deeds? Is the faith able to restore life to him?... See that's Christianity. It's a bunch of talk, it's a bunch of philosophy but there's nothing to back it up. And that is why I say, **if you have conviction, you will automatically have a deed.** The conviction is which will make a deed. Your priorities are what you get done.*

Jac 2:14-19 *... if he says he has faith, but he does not have deeds? Is the faith able to restore life to him? But if a brother or a sister is naked and may be lacking in daily food, and any one of you say to them, Go in peace, be warmed and filled, but does not give them the things the body needs, what gain is it? So also faith, if it does not have deeds, is dead being by itself. But someone will say, You have faith, and I have deeds. Show me your faith apart from your deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds. You believe that Elohim is One (echad). You do well; even the demons believe and shudder ... Like I said, the demons believe it because they know it's true but they are not convicted, they don't trust; they don't trust in Yahweh.*

Jac 2:19-26 *You believe that Elohim is One (echad). You do well; even the demons believe and shudder. But are you willing to know, O vain man, that faith apart from deeds is dead? Was not our father **Abraham justified by his deeds**, offering up his son Isaac on the altar? You see how faith helped with his deeds; and how **by his deeds the faith was made perfect.** And the Scripture was fulfilled, saying, "And Abraham believed YAHWEH, and it was counted for righteousness ... We just read it ... to him;" and he was called, Friend of YAHWEH. You see then, how a man by his deeds becomes righteous, and not by faith alone ... Because it's not real faith ... But in the same way Rahab the innkeeper was also justified by her deeds, having received the messengers, and sending them out by another way. For as the body is dead apart from the spirit, so also **faith without deeds is dead** ... Like I said, belief without conviction will get you nowhere, will get you nowhere. Hebrews 11:8, talks about Abraham again.*

Heb 11:8 *Having been called out by faith, Abraham obeyed to go forth to a place which he was going to receive for an inheritance; and he went out not understanding where he went ... You know, like I said, talking about Babylon for 20 years and there's a lot you hear back and forth and sideways. With Abraham it was just Abraham got up and walked; Abraham got up and walked, no questions asked. Yahweh said it, I believe it, that settles it ... like the bumper sticker says, right? Faith without deeds is dead.*

Heb 11:8-10 *... he went out not understanding where he went. **By faith he resided as a foreigner in a land of promise, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the joint-heirs of the same promise; for he looked forward to a city having the foundations of which the builder and maker is YAHWEH** ... He wasn't building his kingdom on this earth with the white fence and the 2 ½ children ... Never found out what the ½ child is, you know. Statistics always say that 2.3 children. What is a .3 child? But Abraham was building something that the foundation and maker was Yahweh.*

Heb 11:13 *These all died by way of faith, not having received the promises ... So were they foolish? All the apostles and the prophets and Abraham, were they foolish? They didn't get anything yet. Like I said, they are all sitting in their graves here in Israel. No, they are not foolish because when Yahweh says something, it's as if it has already happened ... *they all died having not received the promises but seeing them from afar, and **being persuaded**, and having embraced and confessed that they are strangers and pilgrims on the earth* ... They were convicted and that's what made them different. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, David; they were no different than we are. They were human beings; they sinned, they made mistakes but what made them different was **there was a burning belief, conviction in their heart that they acted on it.** They literally acted on it and that's why today, you know the things they did, their deeds are recorded in heaven and they are waiting for their reward as we are.*

Heb 11:14-16 For those saying such things make clear that they seek a fatherland. And truly if they remembered that from which **they came out, they had time to return**. But now they stretch forth to a better, that is, a heavenly land. Therefore, YAHWEH is not ashamed of them, for Him to be called their Elohim; for He prepared a city for them.

You know, how many have I seen through the years that so boastfully proud, “We’re leaving Babylon.” And within a matter of a couple of weeks, months or maybe sometimes a year, they are all back there. Now, we say that there’s maybe reasons why some can’t get out of there now but **once you’re out, why would you ever go back to it?** I’ve told many people that there’s a thousand countries in the world. You can be poor anywhere, you don’t have to be poor in America. You can be poor anywhere; 70% of the world makes less than \$5 a week. You know, so if you can’t get out of Babylon for whatever reason, you know, I feel bad for you. I’ll pray for you but if you are out, why on earth would you look back, like He’s saying? **We’re looking ahead for Yahweh is preparing a city.**

Heb 11:17-19 By faith Abraham, in his trial, offered up Isaac; and he laid on the altar his only son, whom he had received by promise as to whom it was said, “In Isaac your Seed shall be called;” and he reasoned within himself that Elohim was able to raise him, even from the dead; and because of this Isaac was given to him as a parable.

Just think about this; we read this as a story, we analyze it, you know there’s things written everywhere but let’s take it for what it really is. Here’s a guy that’s 75 years old that Yahweh comes and speaks to him, tells him that he is going to be this father of many nations, his seed is going to be as the sands of the sea and him and his wife are past the age of bearing even one child. And he waits 10 years, he waits 20 years and it doesn’t happen. Now, he might even be ready to die and it didn’t happen yet. But it says he never wavered. Now finally that child is born when he is 99 years old and what happens? He gets to be about 13 years old or so and Yahweh says, “Take that child and sacrifice him to Me.” Can you imagine what must have been going on in Abraham’s head? But it never says he doubted because you know what Abraham was thinking? Abraham wasn’t thinking *well I don’t know why He wants this child to let me give him to Him*. Abraham said, “No, Yahweh made me a promise and if I am going to kill him, Yahweh will raise him up.”

Hebrews 11:6 He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

He is able to perform what He does, what He says and that’s what made this so important not just that Abraham blindly followed but that Abraham believed that this son ... **“You made me a promise.** You said that this son would do this and I don’t know why You told me to kill him and I will kill him but I know that You will raise him up.”

Now today, if this happened today, what would people think? They’d think your nuts, that you’re crazy. “Yahweh would never say that.” Oh, really? He’d never say that? Well, He said it; here it is. We have it. So how much hypocrites people are sometimes, that they will read these stories in the Bible and they will believe it. They will believe that Yahweh spoke through the mouth of a donkey but if somebody comes and says Yahweh spoke to me last night in a dream, “Oh, I don’t believe it.” Because they have no conviction, they hope that Yahweh is there but they don’t believe that Yahweh is there.

And I tell you from somebody who has seen Yahweh’s angel standing, seen it with my eyes at the corner of my bed. I’ve seen the miracles, I’ve cast out demons. I’ve healed the sick; people that have had less than a month to live. The one guy’s stomach, had stomach cancer and as I was praying for it I could hear *Waughik ... Waughik ... Waughik*; I could hear his stomach being put back together. He went to the doctor that Monday and the cancer was completely gone. I’ve seen it, I’ve seen it and that’s why I have no doubt whatsoever that Yahweh is able to perform what He says because He’s seen it. He’s shown it. He’s shown it in my life; He’s shown it in your life.

And the problem is, so many brethren I hear speaking when they first come to faith and these miracles will happen and then all of a sudden ... I mean big miracles ... many many brethren ... later on as I’m talking to brethren and they are

falling away. I'll say, "What about the miracle here?" "Oh, yeah, yeah." That's why Yahweh doesn't use miracles to build faith. Look at the Israelites, He did 10 miracles and they didn't even get to the Dead Sea and they were already rejecting Him. You know, **miracles are an extension of your faith; they are not there to build your faith.** You know and they always say, faith is not knowing that Yahweh is going to do it your way. When you are sick and you have cancer ... people have told me, "I know He's going to heal me" and they died. When I'm sick, I don't know if Yahweh will heal me; I know He can heal me. And that's what faith is that while you are going through that sickness that **you trust that for whatever reason, whatever you are going through is for your good.** Of course, Yahweh can heal cancer; Yahweh can raise the dead; Yahweh can do anything but who am I to say I know what He is going to do? I don't know what He is going to do. I know He exists and I know He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

In **Romans 8:28** I know *all things work out for the good of those who love Yahweh and called according to His purpose.* So that is why I have no doubt in my life. I don't know the future. **All I know is that whatever happens is for my good because Yahweh says it and that's what faith is. Faith is conviction that every word of Yahweh is true** and you've got to believe it because we are living in times like it says *It's impossible to please Yahweh without faith.* And that's what faith is; it's belief and it's conviction and conviction means actions like we are looking at over here. Conviction is actions. Abraham believed in the resurrection and was even willing to kill his child; for that he was accounted worthy.

Let's go to Romans 10 because how do we build faith? Beside asking Yahweh, like we said, we have plead with Him and ask Him to give us more faith. We have to be servant like Yahshua said. The more you surrender in your life to Him, He is going to bless you with more faith as you are serving Him. And also Romans 10:13

Rom 10:13-17 *For everyone, whoever may call on the name of YAHWEH will be saved ... Praise Yahweh. It comes from Joel 2:32 ... How then may they call on One into whom they have not believed? And how may they believe One of whom they have not heard? And how may they hear without a preacher? And how may they preach if they are not sent? ... Judicial order, ambassadors are sent; they don't go out on their own ... Even as it has been written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news of peace, of those preaching good things." But not all obeyed the good news, for Isaiah says, "YAHWEH, who has believed our report?" Then **faith ... How does it come? It ... comes by hearing, and hearing through the Word of YAHWEH.***

Like I was saying last week, you have to saturate your life in the Word. You have to saturate your life. Praise Yahweh, today we have things today where it's not just the written Word. You know, like I said, if I'm traveling to a meeting in Jerusalem and I've got a 3 hour ride, I can put the Bible on CD in the car. I can listen to a sermon. So we're blessed where even if you have to drive or something, you still ... You have to saturate yourself with the Word of Yahweh. Whatever you focus on becomes most real to you. And like I said, **the more it's in your mind, the more you're focusing on it; you're thinking about it, you're dreaming about it, meditating on it; the more it becomes a reality and that's what faith is. Faith is a reality.**

And like I said though, sometimes that electric bill becomes a reality too. And I have used the analogy before that sometimes people have more faith in the person who owns the electric company than they do in Yahweh. And have never met a person in my life who knows the name of the person who owns the electric company. Anybody know here in Israel? Never ever met somebody yet when you get that Notice in the mail, "May 29th, your electric is going off unless you pay this money." What do people do? On May 28th, by hook or by crook, they are down there at the post office, they're paying the bill. You know why? Because, they are convicted that whoever owns that electric company will perform what he said; he's going to shut off that electric. **And yet Yahweh tells us, "Work for me now, these few short years, and I will give you ... I will make you kings and priests and children in My kingdom."** And we don't have the same conviction. So in essence, many times people are the owner of the electric company when they don't even know who he is more than they believe in Yahweh. And it would kind of be ironic if it wasn't so true but it's true. **We show**

more faith in the system of Babylon so many times than we show in Yahweh and His promises. But again, Babylon is going to fall, every single thing in this earth that is physical will burn but Yahweh and His Spirit will go on forever.

Faith grows by saturating your mind with the Word. Whatever you focus on becomes most real to you. And like I said, the system of Babylon, this is what makes it so evil; that purposely, Satan knows this and he purposely puts all these things in peoples' heads and children from the time they're born and now, wow! With homosexuality and all these other things, you give it 20 years and all these young people, not only will they be homosexuals and lesbians, they will all think it's normal. They will all think it's just a choice, a human right, whatever it is. And that's why we know there can't be much time left. There can't be much time left because you never even would have one generation that would survive it.

Mark 10:46, Mark 10:46, faith is conviction, faith is action. I want to give you an example of that here.

Mar 10:46-52 *And they came into Jericho. And He and His disciples and a large crowd having gone out from Jericho, a son of Timaeus, Bartimaeus the blind sat beside the highway begging. And hearing that it was Yahshua the Nazarene, he began to cry out and to say, Son of David, Yahshua, have mercy on me! And many warned him that he be quiet. But he much more cried out, Son of David, have mercy on me! And standing still, Yahshua said for him to be called. And they called the blind one, saying to him, have courage, rise up, He calls you. And the blind man, **throwing away his garment, rising up, he came to Yahshua. And answering, Yahshua said to him, What do you desire I should do to you? And the blind one said to Him, My Rabboni ... My Great One ... that I may see again. And Yahshua said to him, Go, **your faith has healed you. And instantly he saw again, and followed Yahshua in the highway.*****

And the interesting part about this story is where he talks about the blind man, verse 50, getting up, *throwing his garment away, rising up, he came to Yahshua.* Because in the first century, you were just allowed to beg, you couldn't have beggars everywhere. What they had was something called 'a beggar's coat' and **if you were legally blind, you would have a garment that would be given to you by the state and that would give you the legal right to beg** and that was the only way you could get food or anything. So now when you are looking at this, this person who is blind, before he's healed, he takes his coat, he takes his sustenance, **he takes the only thing that can keep him going and throws it aside because he's convicted that Yahshua can make him see again.** Right? He's convicted that Yahshua can make him see again. You know, do we have that conviction or are we holding on to crutches of Babylon? You know, do we have that conviction? So it's a great story.

Also, if you look in **Rom 14:22** *Do you have faith? Have it to yourself before YAHWEH. Blessed is the one not condemning himself in doing the things he has selected ...* And we used to see this a lot a few years back when we first started and we lived a lot in the hostels. **We'd see people that would be telling us they are living on faith and all they were doing is taking advantage of other people.** Do you have faith? Have it between you and Yahweh alone. Let me read it again. *Do you have faith? Have it to yourself before YAHWEH. Blessed is the one not condemning himself in doing the things he has selected.* So faith isn't always pawning off of somebody, that's not faith. You know and like I said, unfortunately we used to meet a lot of people like this in the hostels that constantly, constantly, they would be putting other people out. You know, whether it's staying in someone's home, taking somebody's money, grabbing this and making people feel guilty. And the brethren are loving and they're giving, they're trying to help but that's not faith. You know, faith is, have it between you and Yahweh alone. You know, and if somebody wants to help you, that's great; we should be helping each other. But it's not trying to make people feel guilty, to always be giving you something; that's not faith. That's a false faith.

Matthew 10 and here like we said, when we see what this beggar was, he was convicted enough to let his actions back up his words. Matthew 14, because there is something else about faith we want to see here. I'm going to start in verse 23.

Mat 14:23-29 *And having dismissed the crowds, He went up into the mountain alone to pray. And evening coming on, He was there alone. But the boat was now in the middle of the sea, tossed by the waves, for the wind was against it. But in the fourth watch of the night, Yahshua went out to them, walking on the sea. And seeing Him walking on the sea, the disciples were troubled, saying, It is a false vision! And they cried out from the fear. But immediately Yahshua spoke to them, saying, **Be comforted! I AM! Do not fear.** And answering Him, Peter said, Master, if it is You, command me to come to You on the waters. And He said, Come! And going down from the boat, Peter walked on the waters to go to Yahshua.*

That's why I say, every time we are out there, I love the story because when we are out in that boat, we were just there a few weeks ago with a group, that there is no other water in the world that we know of that not only Yahshua ... I mean He is the Eternal Creator, of course. He could walk on air; He could walk on anything but that a human being, that Peter walked on water. So if there is ever a water that you can walk on, it's the Sea of Galilee. Look what happens.

Mat 14:30-32 *But seeing the wind strong, he was afraid, and beginning to sink, he cried out, saying, Master, save me! And immediately stretching out the hand, Yahshua took hold of him, and said to him, **Oh you of little-faith, why did you doubt me?** And coming into the boat, the wind quieted down.*

Remember when I said, faith comes by hearing and hearing the Word of Yahweh. **The more you saturate yourself with the Word of Yahweh, this is your reality. And you are going to build your faith and you're going to be convicted and you're going to act on it** but when did Peter begin to sink? When he took his eyes off the goal; when he took his eyes off the goal, he started to sink and that's what happens sometimes. We take our eyes off of Yahshua, we take our eyes off of the kingdom because like I said, that electric bill when it is becomes overdue, it becomes out reality. You know, or the rent or whatever else it is or maybe a sickness that you are having. And it can't be; **the only reality we need is the resurrection, that's got to be our reality.**

The reality of the kingdom of Yahweh is real, living a kingdom reality every day and knowing, oh yeah, I may have to live x amount more months or maybe a couple of more years in this system but the kingdom of Yahweh will be here before you could blink an eye and that kingdom is forever. And that's what I am preparing for; that's what I'm living for; that's what I am eating and breathing and every day of my life is for is that kingdom because that's the eternal kingdom that is going to be the solution to every world problem. So it's not some kind of false fantasy hope that we have there; this is the very thing now that could help everybody in the world. So wherever we go, so whatever opportunity we have, you know, to give witness to; this is our witness. This is what will change peoples' lives; this is the thing that will help people come from darkness into light but we have got to keep our eye on the goal. **You've got to keep your eye on the goal.**

Pro 9:10 *The fear of YAHWEH is the beginning of wisdom; and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.*

You cannot have faith without the fear of Yahweh and that's why today, oh when you look in the world and you see people have no fear of Yahweh; they will do just any evil thing, they hate anything dealing with the Bible. And the fear of Yahweh, you know I had that sermon on that, it leads to everything; **the fear of Yahweh leads to repentance, the fear of Yahweh leads to love and the fear of Yahweh leads to faith.** You know that we have to have the fear of Yahweh to lead us into faith. Hebrews 11:7, look what it says.

Heb 11:7 *Being divinely warned by YAHWEH about the things not yet having been seen, **moved with fear, by faith Noah prepared an ark for the salvation of his house; through which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness according to faith ...** So it was **fear through faith that motivated Noah.** We should be the same thing; **work out your salvation with fear and trembling.** If we don't have fear then if we don't follow through with this, we could lose our salvation ... You're never going to do it. Fear is a good thing; fear is a motivating thing, not the unabling thing that stops you. I'm talking about the good fear, the fear that will motivate you on to good works and realize,*

Yahweh is up here and I'm down here. We have to fear Him because He's so different from us. You know His ways are not our ways and the fear of Yahweh will lead; it will lead to this kind of faith.

Hebrews 3, Hebrews 3, be ending here shortly ... Whole chapter here from the children of Israel, he says

Heb 3:1-5 For this reason, holy brothers, called by a call from heaven, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, Messiah Yahshua ... Did you realize Yahshua was an apostle? It says it right here ... **being faithful to Him** who appointed Him, as also "Moses was faithful in all his house." For He was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, by so much as the one having built the house has more honor than the house. For every house is built by someone; but He who built all things is YAHWEH. And "**Moses as a servant was faithful in all his house**", for a testimony of the things having been spoken; but Messiah as Son over His own house, whose house we are ... We are all part of the house and body of Messiah ... if truly we hold fast the boldness and rejoicing of the hope **firm to the end** ...endure to the end.

Heb 3:7-8 Because of this, even as the Holy Spirit says, "Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts to provoke Him, as the murmurers did in the day of temptation in the wilderness ... Remember **I Cor 10** All these things are for our example, for the last generation who the end of the world has come.

Heb 3:8-11 do not harden your hearts to provoke Him, as the murmurers did in the day of temptation in the wilderness, there where your fathers tempted Me, even though they saw My works for forty years. Because of this, I was angry with that generation and said, They always go astray in their heart; and they did not know My ways; so I swore in My wrath, **They shall not enter into My rest.**" ... Two million people lost the Millennium; died in the wilderness because of this.

Heb 3:12-15 Beware, therefore, my brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart which **does not believe** ...that is not convicted ... and you will be cut off from the living Elohim. But **search your hearts each day, until the day which is called "the day"** ... The day He returns. So it's not something we do once. You have to search your hearts every single day ... that not anyone of you be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we have become partakers of Messiah, if truly from the beginning to the very end we hold steadfast to this true covenant; as in the saying, "Today, if you hear even the echoes of His voice ...You know an echo, echo, echo, echo; an echo bounces off and keeps going. So he's saying, Even if you just hear the echo of His voice" ... do not harden your hearts to anger Him."

Heb 3:16-19 Who were those who heard and provoked Him? Was it not those who came out of Egypt through Moses; although not all of them? But with whom was He angry forty years? Was it not with the ones sinning, whose bones lay in the wilderness? ... We were there a few years ago where a lot of those bones are still lying ... And to whom did "He swear, they would not enter into His rest," except to those not obeying? So we see that they were not able to enter in because of unbelief.

Heb 4:1-2 Therefore, **Let us fear**, lest while the promise of entering into his rest remains, lest some among you find that they are falling short from entering. For, indeed, we have had the **good news preached to us**, even as they also; but the Word did not profit those hearing it, **not having been mixed with faith** in the ones who heard ...Did they believe that Yahweh existed? Of course they did; they heard His voice, they saw the miracles. Were they convicted of His promises? No, they weren't and a whole generation lost out on that. We have to have conviction or you don't have faith. Drop down to verse 8 because then he gets into

Heb 4:8-10 For if Joshua the son of Nun had given them rest, then He would not have afterward spoken about another day. It is therefore the duty of the people of Elohim to keep the Sabbath. For he who has entered into His rest, has also ceased from his own works, as Elohim did from His ...And he's comparing our rest through Messiah, you know this time we in now coming to faith, to the rest that's eternal rest during the Millennium.

Heb 4:11-12 Therefore, let us **strive to enter into that rest**, that not anyone fall in the same example of disobedience. For the Word of YAHWEH is living, and powerfully working, and sharper than every two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of both soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow and bones, and able to discern the thoughts and intentions of the heart ... Like we said last week, taking every thought into captivity.

So wow, he's talking about here with this faith, we have something every 7th day ... this is why it's the duty of the people of Yahweh because Yahweh being the Creator of the world, we're not just believing Him as Creator by keeping the Sabbath day but **we are convicted in His promises** and that's why Exodus 31. You know, when He talks about, the Sabbath makes us children, **we are convicted in these promises and this is why we would never ever do work on the Sabbath day. You know we would never do cooking on the Sabbath day. You know we shouldn't be speaking our own words but speaking the words Yahweh because this very thing is the evidence that we're believing it.** But if we simply say ... that's why I don't tell people anymore when they say, "Are you a Sabbath keeper?" or "Do you believe in the Sabbath?" I don't say I believe in the Sabbath because the demons believe. I say, "I keep the Sabbath" and there's a difference. There's many people who believe in the Sabbath and they are not keeping it. You have to keep the Sabbath; you have to be convicted of the Sabbath day.

Sabbath is a test of faith and like I said; no pleasure seeking, no speaking our own words, no compromising. One of the greatest blessings we've had on being here and many of the other brethren through the years of us keeping the ah, hosting the feast here is, **I don't think there is anything from a physical way that can build your faith more than coming to the Holy Land.** You know, to literally come here and see all the things of Yahweh to like I said, to go to Hebron where Abraham, Isaac and Jacob's bones are still laying there. You know, to go to the City of David, you know, to the tabernacle of David that has fallen, to go to all these place, to go in the cell where Yahshua spent His last few hours on earth, you know, and to think about what He was going through and really internalize His sacrifice for you there, that what a blessing that Yahweh has given us. And when I say this, I don't really say it tongue and cheek but I believe it, that maybe the only reason that Yahweh allowed airplanes in these end times was for that reason because He knows *Will there be faith in the end time?* No there is very little faith but **coming to Israel on a pilgrimage is a way to build our faith.** Because there's not one person, including myself, that ever came here for the very first time and had everything right but when the people come here, the people realize how wrong they had it. "Ooo, I thought this was this way. I didn't realize how far this was from this was from here. Oh, I didn't realize the Valley of Elah was right next to this." So you realize how much that you thought was true, was only you own imagination and then you come here and you get it. You know, you get it. So praise Yahweh for that. Two more scriptures before we end here. First one is Jeremiah 25:12 because we are talking about faith.

Jer 25:12 And it shall be, **when seventy years are fulfilled**, I will punish the king of Babylon and that nation, and the land of the Chaldeans, for their iniquity, says YAHWEH; and I will make it everlasting ruins ... And I don't say this to attack anybody but I have to say it out of love for the brethren in the west. How on earth can anybody read this scripture, knowing how close we are coming to the 70 years of Babylon being fulfilled and where the Bible clearly says not one person will survive. **There will be no remnant in Babylon, everyone is going to die, Yahweh will completely destroy that nation. There's 7 direct commands Flee My people, flee. I don't want you to die.** And how can people stay there with no conviction to even prepare? And not even have fear? Even recently, I've had several people will tell me, "You know, I'm going to, I'm just going to have to work it out." How can people do it?

And if you are and you're watching this, you're Laodicean. You're Laodicean. **If you can live there and you have no plans on leaving and you have no fear of what's coming, then you're a Laodicean.** You're thinking something that not, **you don't have faith** because again, faith is not just belief. Faith is conviction and conviction brings an action. And I know everybody can't get out of Babylon right now for different reasons but, wow, for people to be there and have no fear

and not even preparing when it says 70 years. Yahweh is telling us exactly when He's going to destroy it. And we are coming so close to that, how people can do it?

And that's why I give a message like this because so many in the west, they have no faith and I'm telling you, I gave my testimony. What happened to us when we left America and were in Central America, you won't know it until you leave. **You'll have no idea of how faithless you are until leave there and you see it and when the bottom falls out, it's too late.** When the bottom falls out, you will never ever do it; you'll be too scared to death and most are going to perish in Babylon, unfortunately. **You have to start building faith here.** Like he says here in Hebrews 3 while it's still called today, **Heb 3:13** *But search your hearts each day, until the day which is called "the day".* **You have to search your hearts every single day. You have to be in that Bible; you have to immerse yourself with it** because if not, this is no game, you will not make it through the end time.

The last scripture I want to go into is Hebrews 11:32, Hebrews 11:32 because like I said, it's not our faith; it's Yahweh's faith. And all we have to do is ask Him, all we have to do is read our Bible ... We saw all the things today, how to get that faith and without that faith it's impossible to please Him.

Heb 11:32 *And what more may I say? For the time will fail me telling about Gideon, Barak, and also Samson and Jephthah, and also David and Samuel, and the rest of the prophets ...* I planned on, I don't know when, but I'm going to give a Part 2 to this on examples of faith and start going through of these because they are great stories and this is what **helps to build each other's faith by hearing other stories of faith.** And that's why I tell other stories of myself, not to talk about myself, but to help people build faith to see this is real. You know, that this stuff is really happening.

Heb 11:33-35 *who through faith overcame kingdoms, worked out righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the mouths of the sword, acquired power from weakness, became strong in war; made armies of foreigners to yield. Restored to women their sons, raised people from the dead; but others were beaten to death, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection ...* Like Stephen.

Heb 11:36-38 *And others received trial of mockings and of scourgings; yea, more, of bonds and of prison: they were stoned; they were tried; they were sawn in two; they died by murder of sword; they went about in sheepskins and in goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, and ill-treated; of whom the world was not worthy, wandering in deserts, and mountains, and caves, and the holes of the earth ...* And in the new book I did last year, *The Gates of Hell Will Not Prevail Against Her*, I have a lot of these stories and they're encouraging to see. You're not alone. You know, we are going through this together and **we have to trust in Yahweh for His faith and He will give it to us if we surrender our self and we believe but you have to be convicted.**

Heb 11:39-40 *And having obtained witness through the faith, these all did not obtain the promise ...* For as faithful as Abraham was, right? For as faithful as Noah was or as faithful as Job was, none of them received anything yet. But **we have to show the same faith they showed** and very very shortly, in a few short years, Yahshua comes back and His reward is with Him to give to each according to their work. And they will get their reward and we will get our reward ... **YAHWEH having foreseen something better concerning us, that they should not be perfected without us ...** Wow, wow! What a day that's going to be. You know, what a wedding supper that's going to be; to see Abraham and Isaac and David, like he said, in the kingdom of Yahweh. You know and Yahshua coming up and giving each like we do at our awards every year. Everyone comes up and gets their certificate but this time you'll have **a reward that He's going to have for each of us for what we are doing right now.**

Look back to the neighbor offering us the million dollars for two hours of work and each of us would do it, why? Because, it's a good trade, you know, for two hours as hard as you work, then you have that million dollars and look how you can change things for other people in the world. Well, here it is the same way. You work for Yahweh in these two

short hours of eternity. We're 5 minutes to midnight on the doomsday clock, so work for these next 5 minutes which may actually be 5 or 10 years; nobody knows but Yahweh. And He will give us something that is a reward for eternity; something that moths can't come in and corrode.

Do you want your name added to that list at the end of Hebrews 11? Because, like I always say, Acts 29 is being written and in heaven right now, these things are being recorded, right? And your name could be at the end of that list for the faith that you're showing right now. **The kingdom is close; we must love Yahweh with all our heart, our mind and our soul and strength. We must give our best to Him every day as a servant believing in Him fully, unconditionally.** Praise Him for all and when others doubt, simply say I believe.

Yahweh bless.