

“TO THOSE NEEDING HEALING”

{LESSON NUMBER 13} {3/21/2010}

“THE IMAGE WILL NOT DEVELOP WITHOUT FAITH”

XIII. Another revelation God gave me came from Hebrews 4:2 AMP which states, “**For indeed we have had the glad tidings [Gospel of God] proclaimed to us just as truly as they [the Israelites of old did when the good news of deliverance from bondage came to them]; but the message they heard did not benefit them, because it was not mixed with faith (with the leaning of the entire personality on God in absolute trust and confidence in His power, wisdom, and goodness) by those who heard it; *neither were they united in faith with the ones [Joshua and Caleb] who heard (did believe).*”**

- A. From our previous lesson we know that the Word of God planted in our hearts produces images (pictures) of our desires.
1. These images or pictures are created through meditation of the Word of God which in turn gives us hope (the anchor of our soul).
 2. Fear is another image producer in our minds.
 - a. With fear nothing is never enough, and it becomes impossible to please God or to believe and have faith toward God.
 - b. These vain imaginations produced through fear always leave us at the mercy of earth’s reality.
 - c. Remember, earth’s reality can only be based on what we see, hear, taste, smell, and feel.
 - d. To explain earth’s reality so as to understand is simple: Let us pretend that you have a painful disease and you **see** what it is doing to you, you also **hear** what the doctor and others are saying about you and the disease that is affecting you, but it does not stop there, as the disease

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progresses you **taste** and **smell** death as it encroaches on you. All that is left of your life is the pain you **feel** every moment day and night.

3. Because these pictures are the language of the spirit and must be activated by the heart of man there has to be something that can keep fear at bay.
4. It was at this point in my life that faith was added to the revelation God was giving me.
5. I remembered that faith comes by the hearing of the Word of God, and then the Spirit helped me to remember that the hearing of the Word was the sowing of the spiritual seed needed to develop the image of God in me.
6. I now understood that faith had its place in this revelation, and that it would have to be activated if my images were to be manifested.
7. The problem some of the Hebrews were having is that they were stopping short of mixing faith with the Word.
8. This would be a good time to give a definition of faith that God gave me; *faith is a spiritual force that assures us of things that we have hope for, even a conviction that has been proved to us by His Word of things not seen.*
9. It was at this point that God showed me the rest of the story found in Hebrews 4:3.
 - a. So after I heard the Word and planted it into my heart , it was my job to release the spiritual force of faith toward God . I can remember that I wanted the key so very much.

“TO BELIEVE IS TO ENTER INTO REST”

- B. Another key came with the answer I found in Hebrews 4:3 AMP which stated: **“For we who have believed (adhered to and trusted in and relied on God) do enter that rest, in accordance with His declaration that those**