

CHRIST IN YOU THE HOPE OF GLORY

The Importance Of The Lifestyle Of Love & Faith

I. The importance of the anointing

- A. God is only able to do according to the power that works in you (Ephesians 3:20)
 - 1. He is the power working in you; if that power isn't working, the He's not working
 - 2. God's able to do according to the power that works in you
 - a. God is limited on enhanced by the level of power that is at work in you
 - b. When that power is working at a very low level in us, we limit God and what He can do in our lives
 - 3. We must get that power working at a higher level, so that God can do more
 - a. That's why God is doing as much as he could through believers today because the power working in believers is working at a very high level
 - b. We would see God do more, if that power in us would work at a higher level
- B. Satan's whole kingdom and operation is based on this anointing not working in your life
 - 1. God's only able to do according to the power that works in you; Satan is only able to do according to the power that's not working in you
 - 2. Satan is the anti-Christ; he's against that anointing (1 John 4:3)
 - a. He has no answer for that anointing because greater is Christ in you
 - 3. Where the anointing is at work he isn't (Acts 10:38)
 - a. He's got to get you to operated on the level of natural power if he's ever going to have a chance to defeat you (Matthew 12:29)

II. How do we increase the level of that power/anointing working in us? (Galatians 5:1-6)

- A. 1-Stand fast in the liberty that the anointing has produced in your life
 - 1. Stand fast-Stand firm, persist, fix, established
 - 2. To stand fast in the liberty you're going to have to stand fast in the anointing or power that produced that liberty
 - 3. To stand fast in the anointing that produced that liberty you're going to have to stand fast in a lifestyle of love and faith
 - 4. You're going to have to stand firm, persist, be fixed and established in a lifestyle of love and faith
- B. 1-The yoke of bondage
 - 1. Isaiah 10:27-The anointing destroys the yoke
 - a. To get entangled again with the yoke of bondage you're going to have to get outside the anointing

2. Hebrews 2:15-Through fear they were subject to bondage; they had to go through fear to get the bondage
 - a. Subject to bondage is the same as entangled again with the yoke of bondage
 - (1) Through fear they were entangled again with the yoke of bondage
 - b. Fear shuts the anointing off and when it does the bondage begins
3. Isaiah 54:14-You'll be far from oppression (bondage) because you do not fear
 - a. Staying out of fear will keep that anointing on and keep the bondage off
4. Romans 8:15-The Spirit of bondage is the spirit of fear
 - a. 2 Timothy 1:7-The spirit of fear is the spirit of no power or bondage
- C. 2-Circumcision doesn't put the Anointed One or his anointing to work
 1. Being circumcised reveals a lack of faith in him, with no faith the anointed One and his anointing will profit you nothing
 2. 4-If you're trying to be justified by the law, it shows a lack of faith in him
 - a. With no faith in him he and his anointing has no affect in your life
- D. 6-In Jesus, the anointed one and in his anointing, there is no power in circumcision or uncircumcision, but the power is in faith working by love
 1. Once you get born again **the only thing** that has strength, power, and force behind it is a lifestyle of love and faith
 2. You can be in Jesus Christ, but not live a lifestyle of love and faith and if you do that you'll live a life void of the anointing
 - a. Anything you do outside of love and faith carries no power
- E. You see the Anointed one and His anointing have the greatest impact in your life when you develop in to greater levels of love and faith

III. The importance of this lifestyle of love and faith

- A. Love and faith referenced together in the Word of God
 1. They are addressed together (Ephesians 3:17, 6:23, Galatians 5:6)
 2. Hearing of their love and faith caused Paul to give thanks (Ephesians 1:15-16, Colossians 1:3-4, Philemon 4-5, 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3, 2 Thessalonians 3:2)
 - a. Hearing of your love and faith triggered me to thank God
 - b. Paul was always hearing about their love and faith, which leads you to believe that he was asking about it and if he's asking about it then it must be important
- B. 1 Timothy 1:5-Paul says the object and purpose of his teaching is love and faith
 1. Paul wanted Timothy to stay in Ephesus when he went to Macedonia to:
 - a. Charge them that they teach no other doctrine

- b. To not pay attention to fables, myths, genealogies that promote useless speculations and questionings rather than divine training in faith
 - 2. The object and purpose of our instruction is love and faith
 - a. BBE-But the effect of the order is love coming from a clean heart, and a knowledge of what is right, and true faith
 - b. CEV-You must teach people to have genuine love, as well as a good conscience and true faith
- C. 1 John 3:23-The commandment to the NT Believer is to live a lifestyle of love and faith
 - 1. Believe on the name, which is the Word of God – (Revelation 19:13)
 - 2. Love another as he gave commandment – (John 13:34)
 - 3. CEV-God wants us to have faith in his Son Jesus Christ and to love each other. This is also what Jesus taught us to do.
- D. 1 Thessalonians 5:8-Love and faith protects the vital parts of you life
 - 1. To be calm and collected in spirit by put on the breastplate of faith and love
 - a. If you'll put on faith and love you won't operate in a restless fearful spirit
 - b. **THE** intoxicant is fear
 - 2. The helmet the hope of salvation-That's the hope of glory
 - a. For the mind put on a joyful and confident expectation that your deliverance, rescue, soundness and wholeness will manifest any minute now
 - 3. Love & faith is the breastplate because it protects the vital parts of your life
 - a. Without love and faith working the anointing isn't working there and you're vulnerable to attack
 - b. NLT-But let us who live in the light be clearheaded, protected by the armor of faith and love, and wearing as our helmet the confidence of our salvation.
 - c. NCV-We should wear faith and love to protect us
- E. Love and faith are the two foundation pillars in the life of a believer, because it is through love and faith that you activate the anointing in your life
 - 1. The level of love and faith you walk in will determine the level of anointing that's working in your life; the level of anointing that's working in your life will determine the level to which God can work in your life
 - 2. There's a got to be a sense of urgency where developing and maintaining a lifestyle of love and faith is concerned
 - a. We must renew our mind to: No love, No faith, No anointing, No victory
 - b. We have to recognize that a step out of love & faith will cost you the anointing and your victory
 - 3. We have to develop a consciousness of love and faith; in the sense that we are checking every thought, every word, and every step we take, always asking ourselves was that love, was that faith?

IV. The formula of victory

A. Formula-A prescribed rule or model

1. There is a prescribed rule or model for victory
 - a. This is God's prescription for you: love, faith, the anointing
2. Laws work the same way every time the principles of them are put to work; they don't produce inconsistent results
 - a. Romans 3:27-The law of faith
 - b. James 2:8-The law of love
 - c. Galatians 6:2-The law of Christ
3. Anytime victory showed up it was a result of the anointing at work (2 Cor 2:14)
 - a. Any time God caused you to obtain victory it was through the anointing
 - b. If the anointing is at work it is the result of the love of faith of the one for whom it is working
4. The lifestyle of love and faith guarantees me the anointing and in turn guarantees me victory
 - a. When the law of love is released it will do the same thing every time; it puts faith to work
 - b. When the law of faith is released it will do the same thing every time; it connects to and activates the anointing
 - c. When the law of anointing is released it does the same thing every time; it removes burdens and destroys yokes and causes me to triumph

B. The inner workings of the law of the anointing

1. Faith is the anointing connector
 - a. Mark 5:25-34-Jesus credited her faith; he's making the point that the anointing is available to everybody, but it only works in the lives of them that believe
 - b. Matthew 13:58-The power that was on him then was the Holy Ghost and power and it's the same power that's in you and what activated then activates it now and what deactivated it then, deactivates it now
 - c. Hebrews 3:12-14, 4:2-You're made partakers of the anointing if you'll take uncompromising stand of faith unto the end
 - d. Hebrews 4:2-It's faith that activates the power in the Word and makes it useful to you
 - e. Romans 1:16-The gospel of Christ is the power of God that will produce nothing missing, nothing broken to every who believes
 - f. Ephesians 1:19, 3:17-The anointing resides in you by faith & is activated by faith
 - g. John 20:29-The blessing is an empowerment that works by faith
 - h. Daniel 6:22-23-He was delivered because he believed God

- i. It's a person who takes an uncompromising stand of faith and gets fully persuaded that activates the anointing and sees victory in his life
 - 2. Love activates and energizes faith (Galatians 5:6)
 - a. If love's not supporting faith, it will not work
 - (1) EX: Flashlight works by batteries
 - b. Love gets rid of all the fear, cares, worries, and torment so that faith can be fully persuaded and function the way it's supposed to
 - (1) Faith with fear, carries, worries, and torment isn't fully persuaded faith
 - (2) If love is not working fear will be present with torment to contaminate your faith and contaminated faith is weak faith won't get it
 - (3) You get outside of love and you run a contamination line to your faith
 - (a) Love keeps faith pure from cares and worries
 - 3. Faith works by love to connect you to and activate the anointing that will remove the burdens and destroys the yoke
- C. We see a this pattern in scripture: Love, Faith, anointing, victory
 - 1. Luke 8:50-Fear not, believe only, and she will be made whole
 - a. He's in an impossible situation; he's in need of supernatural power
 - b. The anointing did the work, the way the electricity does the work in your house when you get a working line connected to the power company
 - c. SHE WILL-This is guaranteed anointing showing up and guaranteed victory under the condition that faith and love was there
 - (1) Jesus is saying the anointing WILL show up and it WILL produce victory guaranteed if you'll root yourself in love and faith
 - 2. 1 John 3:22-23-In response to our love and faith the anointing shows up and manifests what he desire of God
 - a. BECAUSE-The anointing shows up and manifests what he need because of our love and faith
 - 3. James 4:7-Submit to God, Resist the Devil, and he will flee
 - a. From the platform of love release your faith; faith that works must be released from the platform of love
 - b. He will flee-If he's fleeing it's a result of the anointing showing up; WILL that's guaranteed anointing and granted victory
 - 4. 1 Peter 5:6-9
 - a. 6-Humble yourself and cast your care-That's love

- b. 8-Be on guard because he's looking for people who will come out of love and faith into fear where the anointing isn't working
 - c. 10-MAKE YOU-Ephesians 3:20-He's able to do according to the power that works in you
- 5. Philippians 4:6-9
 - a. Be careful for nothing-That's love (1 John 4:18)
 - b. By prayer with thanksgiving-That's faith (Mark 11:24)
 - c. 7,9-That's the anointing and victory
- 6. Daniel 3:16-18
 - a. 16-We are not careful-That's love
 - b. 17-He will deliver us-That's faith
 - c. 18-We're not bowing-That's love
 - d. 25-That's the anointing and victory
- 7. Psalm 91
 - a. 1-That's love-1 John 4:16
 - b. 2-I will say-That's faith-2 Corinthians 4:13
 - c. 2-I will trust-That's faith-John 20:28
 - d. 3-Surely he will-That's faith-James 1:6-8
 - e. 5-You won't be afraid-That's love-1 John 4:18
 - f. 14-He has set his love upon me-That's love
 - g. 7-16-That's the anointing and victory
- D. We see this pattern in scripture: Fear > unbelief > strife > no anointing > Defeat
 - 1. Matthew 14
 - a. 29-Peter acting on the words of Jesus-That's faith
 - b. 29-He walked on the water-That's the anointing
 - c. 30-He turned his eyes upon the wind-That's not love (Love God will all your mind)
 - d. 30-He was afraid-That's fear-he had faith in the winds ability to knock him down
 - e. 30-He began to sink-That's failure
 - 2. Mark 6
 - a. 3-They were offended-That's not love
 - b. 6-They were in unbelief-That's not faith
 - c. 5-He could do no mighty works-That's no anointing and failure
 - 3. James 3:14-Where there's strife there's no anointing and there will be every evil work
 - 4. Job 3:25-Job had a hedge around him and the power in that hedge was the anointing
 - a. 25-26-Job got in fear, the anointing turned off, the hedge came down, the oppression began

(1) 25-That's not love

(2) 26-That's not faith

5. Isaiah 54:14

- a. Established in righteousness-That's love and faith
- b. You'll be far from oppression because you don't fear