

CALLING THINGS THAT BE NOT AS THOUGH THEY ARE

Believing & Speaking

- I. **One key component of seeing your words produce is you must believe that what you say will come to pass-**
Mk11:13-seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find anything thereon: and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not yet. ¹⁴ And Jesus answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit of thee hereafter forever. And his disciples heard it. ²⁰ And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots. ²¹ And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursed is withered away. ²² Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. ²³ For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith
- A. The context is using your faith and your words to see things change-He spoke to a tree and it responded to what He said; They asked about it and He responded by teaching them that they could believe and speak and see things change
1. This idea that my words can affect things goes beyond natural understanding-It's a mystery of The Kingdom
- B. Jesus is teaching us to believe AND speak NOT just to speak-Jesus did not say, "Just speak to it"
1. Anything you remove faith from you strip of it's power-Mt21:22-There's general power in all words (Pr18:21), but if you want to speak and see things change for your good you have to believe that what you say will come to pass
- C. You have to believe what you say will come to pass-Not believing it will come to pass will keep it from coming to pass
1. Belief is not desire, it's persuasion-You have to be convinced that what you say will come to pass-*Mt21:21-Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith (persuasion, conviction, assurance), and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done*
 2. Many speak and hope it comes to pass, many speak to see if it will come to pass, but that's not how this works-When God said, *Let there be light,*, when Jesus said, *Peace be still,* they had no doubt that their words would come to pass; When David spoke to Goliath, when the 3 Hebrews spoke to Nebuchadnezzar they believed their words would come to pass; When the children of Israel said we can't go into the land, that believed it and said it
- II. **How can you can you be convinced that what you say will come to pass?**
- A. We must first understand God is the one who brings things to pass-*Jn14:10-The Father that dwells in me, he does the works; TPT-He lives in me and performs his miracles of power through me; Js10:12-Then spoke Joshua to the Lord in the day when the Lord delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon ¹³ And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves ¹⁴ And there was no day like that before or after it, that the Lord hearkened unto the voice of a man*
1. You don't bring it to pass-You believe and speak, but you're dependent on God for it to come to pass-*1Sm17:45*
- B. When you speak you have to believe that what you say God will bring it to pass-This is why He started by saying have faith in God because you have to believe God will bring it to pass-You don't move the mountain God does-*Mk11:22*
1. How do you have faith in God?-Can you have faith in God to do just anything?-His word is the foundation of faith; What He's said I can have faith in Him to bring to pass; I can't have faith in God to do something He didn't say He'd do-*Rm10:17*
 2. Before you speak you have to hear to find out what you can believe that God will bring to pass
- C. The only way to be convinced that what we say will come to pass is to know that what we're saying is in line with His will--Our confidence is hinging upon us calling for things that are in line with His will-*1Jn5:14-This is the confidence that we have in him, that if we ask (call for) anything according to His will, he hears (attend to) us: And if we know that he hear (attend to) us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions (thing called for) desired (called for) of him*
1. Being convinced of the will of God is key because it's the only way I can believe that what I say will come to pass-I can't believe that what I say will come to pass if I don't believe God will bring to pass and to believe He will bring it to pass I have to believe it's His will and so knowing this is the will of God for my life I speak and I believe that what I say will come to pass because God will bring it to pass because it's what He wants for me
- III. **Another key component of seeing your words produce is that you must speak in line with the will of God**

- A. If you want God to bring it to pass, what you speak must be in line with His will-God will not bring something to pass that's not His will just because you "believe" and speak
- B. If you believe and speak crosswise of the will of God, your words will not produce-*Nm14:28-As truly as I live, saith the Lord, as you have spoken in mine ears, so will I do to you: 29 Your carcasses shall fall in this wilderness...30 Doubtless you shall not come into the land 40 They rose up early in the morning, and gat them up into the top of the mountain, saying, Lo, we be here, and will go up into the place which the Lord hath promised: for we have sinned. 41 And Moses said...42 Go not up, for the Lord is not among you; that you be not smitten before your enemies. 43 For the Amalekites and the Canaanites are there before you, and you shall fall by the sword: because you are turned away from the Lord, therefore the Lord will not be with you. 44 But they presumed (venture without positive permission) to go up unto the hill top...45 The Amalekites...and the Canaanites...smote them*
1. God started off by revealing to them it was His will that they possess the land-The believed and said the opposite
 2. God will not bring something to pass that it is not His will-What they believed and said is not in line with the will of God and so they can't have faith for God to help them go in, when clearly revealed it's not His will they go in
- C. You can't decree anything to be done, but his will you can decree that it be done-We speak and call things that be not as though they were based on the known will of God-*Mt6:10-Thy will be done*
- D. People make the mistake of speaking without seeking-They speak presumptuously and just say what they want and this is a big reason why people have been disappointed in their believing and speaking-Ex: K.Moore car won't start
1. Jesus didn't just say anything, He found out what the father wanted and decreed it to be