BE NOT MOVED

To Get In Faith You Must Choose To Believe

- I. One of the most important things you could ever learn is how to get in faith because faith in God is the only way to overcome adversity in this life-Hb11:33
 - A. You can get IN FAITH-Rm4:19-Being not weak IN FAITH...but was strong IN FAITH; 1Tm2:15-If they continue IN FAITH; Hb11:13-These all died IN FAITH; Js1:6-Let him ask IN FAITH
 - B. <u>5 keys to get in faith</u>-1. You must hear from God-You can't have faith in God to do something that He say He'd do-Rm10:17-CEV-No one can have faith without hearing
 - 1. Knowing you heard from God is a big key in not being moved-If you are unsure that you actually heard from God you will be easily moved; You can't be confident God will do it when you're not even sure He said it
- II. To get in faith (2) You must choose to believe what God said to you-Is7:1-It came to pass in the days of Ahaz...that Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah..king of Israel, went up toward Jerusalem to war against it, but could not prevail against it. ² And it was told the house of David, saying, Syria is confederate with Ephraim. And his heart was moved, and the heart of his people, as the trees of the wood are moved with the wind. ³ Then said the Lord unto Isaiah, Go forth now to meet Ahaz.. ⁴ And say unto him, Take heed, and be quiet; fear not, neither be fainthearted for the two tails of these smoking firebrands, for the fierce anger of Rezin.. ⁵ Because Syria, Ephraim, and the son of Remaliah, have taken evil counsel against thee, saying ⁶ Let us go up against Judah, and vex it, and let us make a breach therein for us, and set a king in the midst of it, even the son of Tabeal: ⁷ Thus saith the Lord God, It shall not stand, neither shall it come to pass.. ⁹ If ye will not believe, surely ye shall not be established (ERV-Believe this or you will not survive)
 - A. When His people were under attack God responded by speaking to them-Why? Faith in God is how they will overcome and faith in God comes by hearing from God His people needed faith to overcome so He speak
 - 1. When you are facing a challenge hearing from God is #1-In adversity you need victory, to get victory you need faith in God and to have faith in God you must hear from God-Most think petitioning God to do something is #1
 - B. <u>Faith is a choice</u>—Faith does come by hearing, but to actually have faith and get in faith, after you've heard from God you must choose to believe what you heard—Rm10:17—So then faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God. ¹⁸ But I say, Have they not heard…¹⁹But I say did not Israel know? 21 But to Israel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient (unbelieving) and gainsaying people
 - 1. Faith comes: Hearing from God gives you the opportunity to have faith—
 When you hear from God faith comes and then you have a choice to make—Is7
 - 2. Many believe if I hear enough eventually I'll have faith-Hearing repeatedly can help you to choose to believe but you will never believe without choosing to
 - 3. You can hear and not have faith for a refusal to beleive—Jn20:25—Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails and put my finger into the print of the nails and thrust my hand into his side, I WILL NOT BELIEVE; Mk9:31—He taught his disciples...The Son of man is delivered into the hands of men, and they shall kill him; and after that he is killed, he shall rise the third day
 - C. <u>Faith in God begins with a decision to believe what He said</u>—Until you have heard from God and made the decision to believe what He said you are not in faith
 - 1. Getting in faith, activating your faith-When you say I choose to believe that and mean business you activate your faith, get in faith-Ps56:3-What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee; Is12:2-God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid; Ps61:4-I will trust in the covert of thy wings; Ps18:2-The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust

- 2. You can hear from God not make that decision and faith will lay dormant and you will not be in faith-EX: Jeremiah 29:11 story from my office
- 3. Nothing happens (including faith in God) without someone making a decision
- D. You must make the decision to believe what God said in spite of what you see, how you feel and natural reasoning-Rm4:18-Who AGAINST HOPE BELIEVED IN HOPE, that he might become the father of many nations ACCORDING TO THAT WHICH WAS SPOKEN, So shall your seed be; AC-Human reason for hope being gone; Is43:2-When thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon you; Dn3:17-Our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will delivers us out of your hand, O King; Mt14:28-Lord if it be thou bid me come unto thee on the water. And he said, come.
 - 1. They are outnumbered but they must choose to believe in spite of that-Is7
 - 2. Thomas chose not to believe because he couldn't see, feel or understand
 - 3. We elevate what God said to us above everything-I don't see, I don't feel and it doesn't make sense, but I know God said this to me and so I choose to believe
- E. You must mix what you hear with faith to see it profit you-Hb4:2-The word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in that that heard it
 - 1. There are consequences for not choosing to believe-Is7:9
- F. Choosing to believe what God said is another major key in not being moved-
 - 1. This decision lays a foundation, it establishes you, it settles what you're going to do, it puts roots in the ground-Ps112:6-Surely he shall not be moved for ever: the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord. His heart is established, he shall not be afraid, until he see his desire upon his enemies.
 - 2. He established his heart with a decision-I will trust, I will not be afraid
 - 3. A big part of not being moved is having strong roots, a strong foundation