

### **Today's Focus:**

# Revelation on Pitfalls of Satan Pt. 4 (Doubt and Unbelief)

**Doubt** (Greek: "diakrino"): "to dispute", "have misgivings" "to waver", and "not sure about somethings".

Our faith in God requires us to trust in things unseen so doubt will plague us most of the time.

Our faith in God requires us to accept that some things in life will remain a mystery until we see Jesus. As a result, we will be plagued with doubt.

#### Doubt Emerges....

- When we reach the limits of our understanding concerning a subject.
- When we pray for something, the exact opposite occurs.
- When we make sacrifices to follow God and end up suffering because of it.
- When someone shares ideas or concepts that make sense but contradicts our faith.
- When someone we respect denies God and walks away from the faith. Like a father in the faith, mentor, pastor, etc.
- When we encounter a sudden, unexpected calamity that seems to have no purpose except to cause grief and pain.

<u>Doubt</u> is in the <u>head</u>, but <u>Unbelief</u> is doubt in the <u>heart</u> - **Mark 11:23-24**; **Luke 1:18-20**, **34-37**; **Romans 10:9-10** 

Faithful, mature believers can struggle with doubt.

- Abraham Genesis 15:1-6; 16:2
- The Man in the Crowd Mark 9:23-24

• Thomas also called Didymus (the twin) – John 11:7-8,16; 13:33,36; 14:5-6; 20:25, 28

### How do I know that doubt is in my heart?

The determining factor is what is coming out of your mouth - Luke 6:45

Illustration: Matthew 14:27-31

## How do I drive out doubt from my heart?

Case Study: Abraham (Romans 4:18-24)

- 1. It is a Matter of <u>Consecration</u> I devote my life to living by His Word.
- 2. It is a Matter of <u>Information</u> I acquire the spiritual truths on the matter at hand.
- 3. It is a Matter of <u>Saturation</u> I spend the time studying and hearing the Word of God until I am saturated.
- 4. It is a Matter of <u>Confession</u> I consistently verbalize in agreement with the word sowing it into the heart.
- 5. It is a Matter of <u>Deliberation</u> I established decision-making by the righteous standard as my way of living.
- 6. It is a Matter of <u>Determination</u> I discipline the flesh thru obedience.
- 7. Be determined to have one miraculous experience with God (illustrate with a chair)
- 8. It is a Matter of <u>Expectation</u> I choose to praise God along the journey.

Next Steps:

- Did you pray and give your life to Jesus for the first time today? Email us at pastorneil@covenantfamilychapel.org
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