What Walking By Faith Really Means

Tony Mauck · Job 42:5

INTRODUCTION

- God says, out of the whirlwind, understand, Job, I am greatly powerful, and my ways are beyond your knowing.
- He doesn't give Job an answer for all of his suffering and all of his pain. He says, You just need to trust me that I'm a powerful God and that my ways are beyond your knowing.
- But now my eyes have seen you. And so I'm going to talk to you today about walking by faith. And what that really means from this verse in the book of Job.

1 Trusting What Our Ears Hear

2 Kings 6; Mark 16

- Most people did not witness miracles, not even most people in the first century.
- They have Moses and the prophets, let them hear them.
- Jesus would tell Thomas, who would not believe unless he saw the imprint of the nails. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believed.
- I want to talk to you this morning about trusting in what our ears hear, though our eyes have not seen. That is God's expectation of us.

2 Confidence in God's Word From Psalm 119

Psalm 119

- Blessed are those who observe his testimonies, who seek him with all their heart.
- No shame on those who have confidence in God's word.
- Preserve my life according to your word. Do you believe that? That your life will be preserved by keeping the words that you hear.
- You are righteous, Lord, and your laws are right. They are trustworthy. Eternal and life-giving.
- Great peace have those who love your law, and nothing can make them stumble.

3 Sobriety: Do We Trust What We Hear?

Galatians 5

- Do we trust what we hear? When God's word is continually telling us not to be filled with wine.
- Do not be filled with wine which is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit.
- These are not coinciding paths. These are separate paths.
- God calls me to sobriety. I don't have to know all of his wisdom.
- We've surrendered our humility and made ourselves God, is what we've done.

4 Trusting God on the Subject of Modesty

1 Timothy 2; 1 Peter 3

- We're not to be promoting lust. We're not to be promoting flashy, ostentatious.
- Let people be drawn to you for what you are on the inside rather than how you dress on the outside.
- How are you attracting people? And it's a really tough challenge for people who are single and want to get noticed and ultimately be married.

5 Bearing Our Cross

- Are we going to trust what God tells us, what we hear with our ears about bearing our cross?
- Are we convinced that the way of the cross leads home?
- It was about showing us a pattern of living that leads to real life and glory.
- He who wishes to save his life shall lose it, but he who loses his life for my sake shall find it.

6 Fellowship: My Pursuit of Union With Christ

- My pursuit of union with Christ, my pursuit of union with God, by my continued pursuit of godliness, purity, submission.
- I enjoy all the privileges of being connected with deity. Do I value that above everything else?

THE CHALLENGE

Or will I believe? Though my eyes have not seen, because of what my ears have heard.

MY NOTES