



# World Victory Church

## "Increasing Your Faith"

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- I. **Luke 17:5-10**
  - A. Getting Real
    1. Are you satisfied with your walk with God?
    2. Are you satisfied with your level of faith?
    3. If Jesus appeared right now, would you be confident that you would hear Him say, "Well done."?
  - B. Why Faith?
    1. God has given to every man the MEASURE of Faith (**Romans 12:3**)
    2. Faith is the only thing that pleases God (**Hebrews 11:6**)
    3. Faith is what is required to heal the sick, move mountains, stop the winds and waves, and raise the dead back to life...
    4. Why faith? Because I want to be just like Jesus!
    5. How to evaluate where your faith is (Understanding the spectrum from little to great / what controls your thoughts? / what is your reaction?)
  - C. The development
    1. **Luke 17:7-10** explains how you should view Faith
    2. "Faith was given to you to do mighty things in this world; If you want to increase your faith, you must understand 2 primary things: **Faith as a seed & Faith as a servant**"
      - A seed knows its purpose and has a no-fail DNA implanted within it
      - A servant knows his purpose: Get the job done whatever the cost
- II. My Faith Can Move Mountains!
  - A. **Matthew 17:14-21**
    1. The disciples were unable to cast out this demon because their faith had not been developed or exercised to this level
    2. Jesus responded by telling them to get rid of unbelief, understand faith as a seed, and the purpose of prayer and fasting
  - B. Why exercising your faith is SOOOOO important
    1. **Hebrews 2:1** (slip – flow by or carelessly pass) / **Luke 22:32** (fail – Cease, or be Omitted)
    2. Have we become lazy in our faith since we live in a lazy society?
      - Just like fast food, has it become easier to pop a pill or allow a doctor to prescribe something instead of finding out the root of the problem? (we put band-aids on open wounds, but we still expect God to move; we treat the symptom rather than repairing the problem!)

- If you stop speaking to the mountain, over time you will do what the mainstream is doing – speak about it; and since that’s the way the current is flowing, your flesh will speak louder than your faith and will convince you that “this is the path you should be on; everyone else is going the same way; this must be the right way!”
3. What happens to you the first time you decide to place “exercise” back into your routine of life? (Example)
- Remember, this is not a sprint; it’s a marathon (build your faith by using it on small things)
  - Don’t base your level of faith on someone else’s level of faith (Set your own pace)
  - Your Flesh, your senses will always tell you that “coasting” is easier; Push through the “pain” and know that “going against the stream” is the ONLY Way to Increase Your Faith
  - Don’t allow discouragement to talk you out of your promise (“Don’t be weary in well doing....)
  - You will start with a oar/paddle, but if you strive and stay at it, your paddle will turn into an engine!
4. IF you do things God’s way, His way will not only become easy, but the reward and joy that you experience is out of this world; “Have Faith In God!”

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