



FAITH EXPLOITS

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God has a call on each of us.
God has a call on us as a church.

GOD HAS CALLED YOU To ACCOMPLISH GREAT THINGS AND THINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE FOR HIS KINGDOM.

1 Corinthians 2:9

Very often our plans and dreams are based on what we can see, hear and think. However, God's Word says that the things God has planned for us are things we have NOT seen, heard or thought of!

1 Corinthians 1:26-29

Many of us identify with being foolish, weak, insignificant, despised and nothing. And we feel happy that God has chosen us. However, these Scriptures show us that God has chosen us - people who are foolish, weak, insignificant, despised and nothing - so that He can do something in, through and with us - which would put the world to shame!

If you are "foolish" - God chose you, not so that you can remain "foolish" but rather to do something through you, that would put the world to shame and get Him glory!

If you are "weak" - God chose you, not so that you can remain "weak" but rather to do something through you, that would put the world to shame and get Him glory!

If you are "nothing" - God chose you, not so that you can remain "nothing" but rather to do something through you, that would put the world to shame and get Him glory!

GOD HAS CALLED US AS A CHURCH TO ACCOMPLISH GREAT THINGS FOR HIS KINGDOM

We have a great vision - to raise up 5 churches in our city. We desire to impact our city, our nation and the nations of this world.

How are we going to accomplish these things?

For instance, it is going to take a lot of money to do all this. As in John 6, when we are called to do something great, sometimes we are (A) like Philip who determined HOW MUCH DO WE NEED (John 6:6,7) and realize that it is very great. Or sometimes we are like (B) Andrew, WE SEE WHAT WE DO HAVE and realize that it is too small.

HOW ARE WE GOING TO ACCOMPLISH GREAT THINGS, THINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE FOR GOD'S KINGDOM ?

**** GOD HAS ALWAYS USED PEOPLE TO DO THINGS GREATER AND BIGGER THAN THEMSELVES.**

The Hall of Faith in Hebrews 11 lists people whom God used to do things greater and bigger than themselves.

Hebrews 11:29-35

**** IT WAS THROUGH FAITH IN GOD THAT THEY WERE ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH THINGS BIGGER AND GREATER THAN THEMSELVES.**



** THROUGH OUR FAITH IN GOD WE CAN ACCOMPLISH THINGS GREATER AND BIGGER THAN OURSELVES.

Hebrews 11:8

Like Abraham.

- ** GOD HAS AN INHERITANCE, A PROMISED POSSESSION, A DIVINE DESTINY FOR EACH OF US.
- ** GOD CALLS EACH OF US TO RECEIVE OUR INHERITANCE.
- ** IT IS THROUGH FAITH THAT WE RECEIVE OUR INHERITANCE.

TWO IMPORTANT QUESTIONS:

1. How do we develop such faith in God where we can accomplish great things, things of significance for His Kingdom ?
2. How do we exercise such faith in God?

** GOD ALWAYS RESPONDS TO FAITH.

** FAITH IS A RELATIONSHIP

Abraham who is the "Father of faith" was also a "friend of God". (James 2:23)

** THE STRENGTH OF YOUR FAITH IS DEPENDENT ON YOUR FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD.

There are principles of faith. However, the principles in themselves will be ineffective if there is no relationship.

Jesus told us to have faith in God (Mark 11:22). However, when questioned about what is the greatest thing a man could do, He told us to love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength (Mark 12:29-31). So there is something more important than having faith in God - that is to love Him.

** LOVE FOR GOD, PRECEDES HAVING FAITH IN GOD.

** WHEN YOU LOVE GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, SOUL, MIND AND STRENGTH - THEN FAITH IS NOT A PROBLEM!

** WE NEED TO BUILD AN INTIMATE FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD.

Hebrews 11:13

describes 4 things the forefathers of the faith did to keep their faith till the end:

A. FAITH'S VISION

- * See yourself in your inheritance through the eyes of faith.
- * You cannot have faith if you do not hope for something (Hebrews 11:1)

B. FAITH'S PERSUASION

- * Be fully persuaded about the promises God has made for your life (Romans 4:21)
- * Be fully persuaded that you will possess your destiny.

C. FAITH'S EMBRACE

- * Hold on tightly to your promise. (Hebrews 10:23, 35)

D. FAITH'S CONFESSION

- * Talk as though you are in your promised inheritance.
- * Stop talking about yourself as weak, foolish and insignificant. Instead, talk about what God has promised to do through you!
- * You believe and therefore speak what you believe. (2 Corinthians 4:13)

LET US RISE UP AND DO GREAT FAITH EXPLOITS! - AS INDIVIDUALS AND AS A CHURCH.





USEFUL RESOURCES



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WEBSITE: <https://apcwo.org/live>

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CHURCH: <https://apcwo.org>

FREE SERMONS: <https://apcwo.org/resources/sermons>

FREE BOOKS: <https://apcwo.org/books/english>

DAILY DEVOTIONALS: <https://apcwo.org/resources/daily-devotional>

JESUS CHRIST: <https://examiningjesus.com>

BIBLE COLLEGE: <https://apcbiblecollege.org>

E-LEARNING: <https://apcbiblecollege.org/elearn>

WEEKEND SCHOOLS: <https://apcwo.org/ministries/weekend-schools>

COUNSELING: <https://chrysalislife.org>

MUSIC: <https://apcmusic.org>

MINISTERS FELLOWSHIP: <https://pamfi.org>

CHURCH APP: <https://apcwo.org/app>

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