# Problem of Faith

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# Problem of Faith: Flesh

### Galatians 5:16-19 New King James Version

16 I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. 17 For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish. 18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. 19 Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are...

• Our flesh attempts to distort our faith; leading us to ask for things outside the will of God for our lives.

# Problem of Faith: Fear

# 2 Timothy 1:7 New King James Version

For **God has not given us a spirit of fear**, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

• It is not uncommon to experience fear when God moves us in our purpose. It is important not to stay in a mode of repetitious fearful thoughts creating a spirit of fear. We are able to stop fear from infiltrating our hearts by hearing the Word of Faith.

# Romans 10:17 New King James Version

So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

# Problem of Faith: Facts

• Understanding the Truth from the facts is very important as we walk in Faith. The facts will often present a problem to our faith because facts makes sense and faith creates the unseen to the seen.

#### John 14:6 New International Version

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.



#### Romans 4:16-18 New Living Translation

16 **So the promise is received by faith.** It is given as a free gift. And we are all certain to receive it, whether or not we live according to the law of Moses, if we have faith like Abraham's. For Abraham is the father of all who believe. 17 That is what the Scriptures mean when God told him, "I have made you the father of many nations." This happened because Abraham believed in the God who brings the dead back to life and who **creates new things out of nothing**. 18 Even when there was no reason for hope, Abraham kept hoping—believing that he would become the father of many nations. For God had said to him, "That's how many descendants you will have!"

# Problem of Faith: Failed belief

#### Mark 9:23-25 Amplified Bible

23 Jesus said to him, "[You say to Me,] 'If You can?' All things are possible for the one who believes and trusts [in Me]!" 24 Immediately the father of the boy cried out [with a desperate, piercing cry], saying, **"I do believe; help [me overcome] my unbelief."** 25 When Jesus saw that a crowd was rapidly gathering [around them], He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You deaf and mute spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again!"

#### Matthew 17:19-21 New King James Version

19 Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" 20 So **Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief**; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. 21 However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting."

# Problem of Faith: Fickle Patience

#### Hebrews 6:12 Amplified Bible

so that you will not be [spiritually] sluggish, but [will instead be] imitators of those who **through faith** [lean on God with absolute trust and confidence in Him and in His power] and by **patient endurance** [even when suffering] are [now] inheriting the promises.

# Galatians 5:22-23 Amplified Bible

22 But the fruit of the Spirit [the result of His presence within us] is love [unselfish concern for others], joy, [inner] peace, **patience [not the ability to wait, but how we act while waiting]**, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control. Against such things there is no law.