Anatomy of FAITH 9th July 2023

# Health Check

## Faith Health Check

* + The Bible instructs us to check our faith, do a health check on our faith   2 Cor‬

## Levels of Faith

* + **Level 1** – Identifying a doctrine or a religion (*head knowledge*)
  + **Level 2** – Trust or Confidence in someone or something (*seeing is believing*)
  + **Level 3** – Belief based on spiritual conviction rather than proof (***unseen realm – heart faith***)

# HEART - Believe & Trust

* Faith is **Believing** God’s Word…

## How do I develop that Level 3 – heart believing Faith?

* + Bible Faith Comes by hearing… Rom 10:17
  + Bible faith grows when we study, listen to the Word of God.
    - The more I read / listen to the Word of God, the more my faith grows
    - It’s like using the dumbbells in the gym to develop your mussels

## Doubts

* Faith pleases God, must believe & rewarder – not doubt and unbelief Heb 11:6
* Peter walks on water – great faith in my book - Jesus affirms his Faith – Come Matt 14:31
* **Doubts**, second thoughts left untreated will cancels out faith, Jesus correcting Peter
* “Doubters will receive nothing” – “You can only doubt something you believe” James 1:6-7

# See what you believe

* Faith is **Believing** God’s Word to the extent of **Seeing** it…
* ***We do not look at things that are seen, but unseen*** 2 Cor 4:18
* *Children of Israel bitten by snakes – look at the pole, healed* Num 21:8-9

# Speak what you believe

* Faith is **Believing** God’s Word to the extent of **Seeing** it, **Speaking** it..
* Jesus after cursing the fig tree, tell us to say what we believe Mark 11:23
* Same spirit of **faith,** “*I believed and therefore I spoke*” we also ***believe and therefore speak*** 2 Cor 4:13
* This book shall not depart from your lips – then you will be successful Josh 1:8
* God has Vision – Declare the end from the beginning Is 46:10

# Act as though what you believe is true

* Faith is **Believing** God’s Word to the extent of **Seeing** it, **Speaking** it and **Acting on it**.
* Faith without actions is dead James 2:2

# Conclusion

* + Abraham – get a promise of a ***New Beginning*** only problem it’s ***imPOSSIBLE*** **Rom 4:19-22**
  + Abraham did not waver in unbelief Rom 4:20-22
  + God's shows Abram the Stars - **See It** Gen 15:2-6
  + **99Yrs old** (+13Yrs):- God changes Abram's name to Abraham - **Say It** Gen 17:1-6
  + Abraham receives the promise - 100Yrs old (+9 Months) Gen 21:5