THE NEED TO HAVE FAITH IN GOD – in Christ Jesus

Praise the Lord. Good morning, Church. Are we not excited this morning? It's the first Sunday of the month, we are gathered in the name of the Lord. Our gatherings are unto God, our Father, our Creator and our Saviour gathered unto him in the name of Jesus. By the fictitious power of the Holy Spirit of God, because of what Jesus has done.

This morning, I want to thank God for another opportunity for us to gather. Today is the first Sunday in the month of October. The month entitled "Having Faith in God's Faithfulness". Being the first Sunday of the month, our prophetic service. We come to speak forth back to the bosom of the endowment of grace and our inner spirit to speak the mysteries of God into our worlds. Our world, our daily life, marital, children, experience, where we do business, where we carry out our career, in our life, where we shop, we speak life and grace into them.

That was in the book of Proverbs chapter 18, verse 20, 21:

Proverbs 18, verse 20" A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his lips with the increase of his lips shall he be filled.

Verse 21. Death and life are in the power of the tongue. They that loved him shall eat the fruit thereof".

Let me read from the Amplified Version of the Bible.

"A man's stomach will be satisfied with the fruit of his lips. He will be satisfied with the consequence of his words. Death and life are in the power of the tongue. Those who love it and endure it will eat its fruits and bear of the consequence of their words".

God wanted to speak of what he'd done for us and cry Jesus into all the realities in our life. That was in the book of **Philemon, chapter 1, verse 6.** The communication of our faith, the proclamation, the announcement, the declaration of our faith to let it be effectual by acknowledging of every good thing that God had done in us through Christ Jesus. We come on this first Sunday of the month which we entitle to be the prophetic Sunday of the month, the first Sunday of the month, the month that we will gather together to speak, as a lot of you know, speak forth into our day, into our week, into our month. The mysteries of God and the grace of God and God have made available unto us to speak the life of God into your day. So, you can share the joy, share the peace, share the happiness, share the goodness of God that he has offered us and cry Jesus. In the manner of words defined ,God wanted to speak forth that mystery into reality in our life. And I will say in the book of **Revelation chapter 19 verse 10**, the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy. When we need to testify of what Jesus has done in our life by his trial and healing, through his blood my sins are forgiven, we're going to enact what he's done for us. It's the spirit of prophecy, testimony to define of what Jesus has done in your life is

the authentic and actual prophecy of your life. Whosoever is speaking to you, if he's not telling you what he has done for you, then give me some rules and regulations to do good and not bad. The testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy. In Revelation chapter 12 verse 11, it says" that they overcame him by the blood of the lamb and by the word of their testimony". The word of the testimony of what Jesus has done for them, and because of them who stand sheer on that word that he didn't compromise their life unto death. When I'm not there, I won't draw back unto perdition, I won't belittle the sin of the soul. They're holding their faith, because God is faithful. God is faithful. God is faithful. So, we should hold forth the proclamation, the profession of our faith. **Hebrew 10 verse** 23 God is faithful. So, hold forth steadfastly the confession, the declaration of your faith, declaring in your heart that God is faithful. I would say remember him in the heart. Romans 12 verse 8: Remember him in the heart. The Lord Jesus. And declare with his mouth. He shall receive. For with the heart of man believe unto righteousness, a declaration has been made unto salvation, unto healing, unto deliverance. There's something about your life this morning. The Holy Spirit into us and you, you have to go to war with you for us as well. You have to make a declaration of your faith into every situation so you can enjoy that fullness of God's grace in your life. God wants to enjoy his praises. Enjoy him in every aspect of our faith. You must learn to take hold of his love and make it a reality. So, this morning, in part of my ministry of the word, unto praise, ministry of praise, God said when I come on Sunday morning, I have two roles to play. The ministry of prayer, the ministry of the word. That's what the season is for, so as a gesture I'm going to give this morning in regard to us to prepare for the word to go later on. And for us to pray by knowledge and understanding. I want to share this ministry of prayer this morning, "What I call the need to have faith in God". There's a need to have faith in God in our life. We have entitled this morning to have faith or have faith in God's faithfulness. One who has faith that God is faithful to his word, to his promises and he will ever bring his word to pass in our life no matter how long it takes. Most times we give up so suddenly. Or most times we don't even persist at all. We don't even endure at all. We're easily giving people an age of entitlement and microwave personality. We don't want to allow God's word to process us into the fullness of him to fulfil God's purpose in our life. We don't want that easy going Christianity and that is so. It doesn't work that way with God. Nobody plants maze and harvest the next day. Even with all the technology of science. They go through a process, A process. On the dawn day, the path of the righteous shall be brighter and brighter. On the dawn of a new day. Proverbs 4 verse 18 There's a path. And most of them waiting, that trust and having that within them, that God is faithful to his word, he will bring them to fullness, to reality. There's a need for us to hope for it as well.

I want to share from Luke chapter 18 this morning verse 1 to 8. Luke 18 this morning from 1 to 8. Let me **read 2 Timothy chapter 2 verse 11 -14**. Before I even go there, because I want to ensure the power of the Holy Spirit, and our work with God.

2 Timothy chapter 2 and verse 11 to 14 reads "It is the faith to say for if we be dead in him, we shall also live with him if we suffer we shall also reign with him if we deny him he also will deny us. Look at verse 13 If we believe in God yet you abide there faithfully, he cannot deny himself". God will never deny himself. God will never deny himself. I want to share more to that because the preachers of the world they tell me God will ever remain faithful, but I will like him not. But I will believe in him not. But I will stay faithful to God. He will remain faithful to his word. He will remain faithful to his name. He will remain faithful to his promises. So, this moment have faith in God. There is a need to have faith in God. No matter what they are doing to you in the last nine months of the year. You have to know that God will be faithful to his word. He will not deny himself. Patience. More than it takes to have the fullness of God's holy water. They say a patient dog eats the best of bones. You need to come to a point where you tell yourself you are a child of God. Because I know that God will not deny himself and be faithful. I want to wait patiently for this water to come to pass in my life. Why? Because Hebrews 10 35 said Cast not away your confidence for it has a great companionship of the world. After you have done the will of God, there is a need for patience. In verse 18, the Just shall live by faith. We are not of them who draw back unto perdition.

We are of them who believe in the saving of the soul. There is a need to have faith in God. Because you live God for yourself. It is in Him we live; we have our being. In Him we live. In Him we move. In Him we have our being. Acts 17, If that is true in our life, why can't we be patient with God? And all you are asking Him to do for you martially, children, career, job, business. Name the opportunity I ask you to do. Why can't you love God? Why can't you be patient with God? Why are you so desperate? You have another plan. Plan B, plan C, plan C now. God will not deny Himself if you deny Him. Just know it today. God will never deny Himself. He had never done it before. He wouldn't be here because of you today. He would not deny Himself. You remain faithful, love. You are God faithful for eternity. May God bless us. Showing in Luke chapter 18. From verse 1 to verse 8. And He spoke a parable to them to this end that men ought always to pray and not to faint or give up or grew weary or lose heart. Saying there was in a city a judge who feared not God. Now the widow in that city, and she came unto him saying, Avenge me of my trespass. I will not for a while, but after a while he said to himself, Do I fear not God, my regard man? Yea, because when this woman trouble me, I will avenge her. Let her continue her coming. She will hear him. And the Lord said, Hear what the unjust judge said. I shall not God avenge this old heretic who created a night unto him, though he be alone with them. I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth. I know you have been praying for that matter for weeks, days, years.

It's like as if you are praying you are heeding this call. Remember we said to you tonight today that we ought always to show prayer. Prayer is sanction. Prayer is communion. Prayer is communication. Prayer is not just about talking to God on our trespasses. It's communion with God. It's reasoning with God. It's understanding God together for any cause of His purpose in our life. It's a fellowship, it's a joy. So, in my presence there is fullness of joy. At my right hand it's a pleasure for everyone.

It's on psalm 16, verse 11. *In my presence there is fullness of joy. At my right hand, it's a pleasure for everyone.* Many of you probably should pray out of fellowship or to come here for you have caught in this fellowship. Don't be weary in prayer. Don't lose heart. Don't just give up. Don't get so tired. Don't burn out. Because things have not happened so speedily as you want them to. So pray what's speaking there and give Him a prayer. High in the city, a wicked one looking for justice. Chopping some of her people and then justice for her lot. Each time you go to a little church, who's supposed to be in charge, you give them a hard time. Not ready to do something for this woman. But when we are so persistent in our faith, so persistent in our faith, didn't give importunities, didn't find a plan way to get it done. She knew that this judge was responsible for answering this

question that's happening to her. This justice I need. You are responsible for it, judge. You are persistent as a judge. I'm not giving up. I'm not giving up. I'm going to compromise a little bit until you give justice. I've been terrified. I've been harassed. I need justice. I want justice. I want to stand up. Maybe in-laws are threatening us, the widow. Maybe men harassing her because she's not a single woman, she doesn't need to get married. Who am I? I'm her husband, I'm left for her. I'm harassing her to be able to have children. I know widows do many things, go through a lot of issues of life. She was a widow. And this unbelieving, this unjust judge was not ready to give her another little bit of the answer in her life. Not give her a judgement of justice for the harassment of women. But once in her body, she held to her faith. She was persistent in her belief. She had trust. Only she could believe God would not be in her head. For men ought always to pray consistently. In spite of no thing happening at the moment. For being assured that God will not deny himself, for he will abide in his faith and his promise will come to pass. This is my herald to her faith. And the judge said, I don't care about God. I don't even care about men. But as this woman kept on coming, she was a woman. And kept coming every day, harassing me, making me more wicked. He's giving me a leg up as an unjust judge. And eventually, this woman's expectations was not cut off. Because our expectations had not been cut off. So there's an end to everything. Time is an unending issue in the love of God. And her desire and her expectation was eventually responded to. And answer came. And Christ said, in, verse 7, I shall not God avenge his own enemy, which cried day and night unto him. I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth. Shall he find faithfulness? Faithfulness. Trust. Endurance of God. But it should not be sluggish, It should not be sluggish. But it should be diligent. There will be followers of them who choose faith and patience. Inherit the promise of God. He proceeds as the leaven must dwell. You want to be a Christian, whose prayer wants to be answered by God. God requires from us as God's children to have faith. Let's not be a microwave of Christians. Let's not be Christians of entitlement. Once you adopt, get what you need as you went. You give up so suddenly. You keep on, you start praying. Doing everything that you have. If you didn't get that job as you wanted, or that promotion, your faith is tarnished. Instead of looking for a shortcut to make it happen. And let me tell you one thing. It's very dangerous to deceive yourself. You see, when you deceive me, I may not know. I may not know. I may take a while to know. And I will never know. But when you deceive yourself, if I was in the book of 1 John chapter 5, the word of God is not in it. 1 John chapter 5. God's word is not in you. And when you have a selfdeception, it's difficult to come out of it. You know people who lie, they have to find another lie to cover the false lie. And then they cover the genuine one. They cover their lies and their nature. It's not a lie. It's not a part of life. Some are in the church in person with God, you took a different route to get what you want, and you come and give a testimony. We may not even know. But you'll know. So, this morning, there's a need to have faith in God. God is saying, you will speed in yourselves. You will take, you will bring us to a place of grace and blessings. Sometimes your job is a professional job, a manager job, a higher placed job. But God knows you're not mature enough for that position. God will put on you. He'll take you through a process to mature you to it. So, when you get there, you're not a waste, and you don't waste anything. I've seen people who got what they're not mature in their inner spirit to have. It destroyed them. So, it's whether a bastard lose their faith, or he killed. Immature in spiritual things. You're not going to give some level of money. How mature are you? What intelligence do you have? What financial intelligence do you have with God? Why do I become arrogant? In life, I get destroyed. Because I see it all the time, if you don't have the purpose of the thing, you get destroyed. You destroy it, you destroy time, money, people, materials. You want leadership position. You want someone to go to ministry as a pastor, as a minister of the gospel. How mature are you? Have you prepared for that? Because zeal without knowledge is bad. That was a knowledge buffer. And knowledge of understanding is very messy. Because life is by wisdom and wisdom is a piece of knowledge. And God is not going to endow you with this kind of wisdom. For your purpose in the gospel, or in your life, in society, for the community. You have to prepare for it. If you are impatient, you will do what those who

are impatient in life, they will sell their soul. In the scriptures, they say that if you let Islam to satisfy, when he is with me, he is going to be rich.

He will not be innocent. Because who say? God was curious when he had faith in God. I read for us that Proverbs after the bath. Proverbs 28, Proverbs 19 to 24. It said, He that tilleth his land, Proverbs 19, Proverbs 28, shall have plenty of bread. But he that followeth after a vain person shall have poverty A faithful man a faithful man shall be bound with blessings. But he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent. That's what it says. To have a blessing of a person is not good for a piece of bread that bound will turn to grass. He that hateth to be rich hath an evil heart. That poverty shall come upon him. So, will you be patient? Christ said. See what the writer just said. Will you find safety? When in the month of having faith in God's faithfulness when you are patient to till your land God is saying you are bound with blessings. Don't be in a hurry. Partner with God and you will get there. They are amazed that I write with a particular promise in me. See what is that competition between people in that trouble? You don't know what he said. He doesn't say what is in life. He says all that gives does not go, silver, precious stones. Be who God called you to be. I don't want to be Apostle Paul. I don't want to be Apostle Peter. I don't want to be Apostle John. I don't want to be any of the disciples of Christ. I don't want to be anybody on the face of the earth. I want to be me in Christ Jesus. So that I want to be in Christ Jesus I'm forcing you for grace to walk in the path. The path of joy shining brighter and brighter. I can learn from people, but I won't be there. Stop trying to be somebody else. Because when you fast for 40 days you want to fast 40 days it can be like that. That's not how God works. That's why I'm grateful to God in this generation but I'm also grateful that the Holy Spirit to lead us. Let God lead you by the Spirit of God. Let man lead you by their own experience of life. Let God lead you by the Holy Spirit of God. I said I'm led by the Holy Spirit of God and the Spirit of God. I'm not led by what other men want to do. Are you calling to the same calling? Are you having the same purpose in life with God? Are you defying by God's definition? Are you going to get the same cross in the cross? Some people don't tell you what happens. I can't tell you what happens in my life. See they are very close to me. The crosses, the challenges, the crisis. You want to be like that? When you let yourself be what God wants you to be don't give up. For men ought always to pray. Men ought always to pray. I'm not a loser. There's a need not to lose heart my dear. There's a need not to give up my dear. There's a need my dear not to fail. There's a need arise in your inner spirit and say Lord I will be patient. I will wait upon your word to come to pass in my heart. In this matter that concerns me. In this childbearing issue. In this marital issue. In this job issue. In this career issue. In this academic issue. In this business issue. In this entrepreneurship issue. In this leadership issue. In this governance issue. I need to lead these people. This community. Whatever I call it to be I don't want it to become a lie. Go with God. I'm going to defend you. I'm going to shield you. I'm going to see you through. Jesus Christ said Look at this unjust man. But look at this other woman who was persistent in her faith only answer come. If only the unjust judge could eventually do good to this woman in her patience and persistence. How much more will God not speedily answer you in all your patience. I give you the joy indescribable joyous speak able joy unimaginable joy, joy unspeakable, joy of God. Talk about your prayer this morning. You have heard of God, faith comes by hearing, and the hearing comes by God. Have faith in God. Have faith in God's faithfulness and that which concerns you. It's a question that never ends. Shall he find faith in you, on earth? Shall he find faith in you, on earth? Don't look at it right now. That's just small, it doesn't mean that God is taking you there. All he wants in you is faithfulness. He that is faithful in a little thing, God will cause increase upon their life. Let God find you faithful. Where you are, to give you that level of life. Tomorrow, I pray this, open your heart to God. If you've gone and rose to God, I want to be faithful to you. I want you, Lord, now to be faithful to you, to trust you. To presently wait upon your word to come to pass in my life. In that desire in my life. So, you're going to be glorified and magnified. That you're accomplishing me, my people of Galilee. And I promise you, don't move away from me Amen. I thank you this morning. This morning, I thank you. Morning of Holy Sunday, Saturday, I speak grace to your people. That by your word, you're going to receive a God that lies by coming to their way. I'm praying God this morning. Our life of God, we trust to have faith in you. Because you will remember faith

with all of us. So, we ask all of us to pray, and not to faint. And not to give up. And not to compromise our faith. And not to love God so out loud and devise that this world will remember who you are. And will receive grace to be in faith. For he that doth love God, will not be hasty. For those who want to be hasty, will not be innocent.

Prayers

I pray God, as you build your church through your word and through prayers. We're going to be found here. You're going to be glorified. You're going to receive the joy of the Lord of His people. The joy that flows from inside us. You'll be magnified. Thank you, Father, this morning. It's a wonderful first Sunday of the month of October. I mourn to have faith in you for your faithfulness towards us. Thank you, Lord. For I need every morning your faithfulness. Thank you, Father. Take your glory today. And lead us by the Holy Spirit. For an effectual result will reinterpret. As we go on to this prayer time, God. Be magnified and I trust you'll answer the needs of your people still according to your word. In Jesus' name. Amen.

End of Prayers

Thank you, Holy Spirit, for this. Amen. I'll come back to us for the ministry of the Word. It's the second part of my day. So won't you pray with me spiritually. Let God make His touch in you. The strength of your spirit. The will of God's Word. Come to pass.

Amen. God bless you on this.

Summary of the Sermon: "The Need to Have Faith in God"

The sermon emphasizes the importance of having faith in God's faithfulness, particularly in challenging times. The speaker encourages the congregation to persist in prayer and trust in God's promises, highlighting that patience and endurance are essential aspects of faith. Using biblical references, the sermon illustrates the power of the tongue and the necessity of proclaiming one's faith to manifest God's blessings in various aspects of life.

KEY POINTS:

1. GATHERING IN FAITH:

- Emphasis on community worship and speaking God's truths into our lives.
- Reference to Proverbs 18:20-21 about the power of words.

2. PROCLAMATION OF FAITH:

- Importance of acknowledging God's goodness (Philemon 1:6).
- The testimony of Jesus as a spirit of prophecy (Revelation 19:10).

3. GOD'S FAITHFULNESS:

- Assurance that God will always remain faithful to His word and promises (2 Timothy 2:11-14).
- Encouragement to maintain faith even when circumstances are difficult.

4. **PERSISTENCE IN PRAYER**:

- The parable of the persistent widow (Luke 18:1-8) serves as a model for unwavering faith.
- Prayer as a means of communion and fellowship with God.

5. PATIENCE AND PROCESS:

- The need for patience in waiting for God's timing (Hebrews 10:35-36).
- Understanding that spiritual maturity takes time and preparation.

6. AVOIDING SHORTCUTS:

- Warning against the dangers of seeking quick fixes or alternative plans (self-deception).
- Importance of maintaining integrity in faith and actions.

7. FAITHFULNESS IN TRIALS:

- Emphasis on remaining steadfast in faith through challenges.
- Assurance that God will reward those who are faithful.

8. CLOSING ENCOURAGEMENT:

- $_{\odot}$ $\,$ A call to trust in God's faithfulness and to pray without ceasing.
- Final prayers for strength and faith for the congregation.

Key Words:

- Faith
- Faithfulness
- Prayer
- Persistence
- Proclamation
- Patience
- Testimony
- Community
- Trust

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