

Week 4: Faith Over Fear – Walking Boldly in the Spirit

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The Impact of Fear on Our Spiritual Walk

- Fear is not from God (2 Timothy 1:7).
- Fear is a paralyzer.
- Fear is deceptive.
- Fear leads to feelings of failure, anxiety and depression.
- Fear can result in disobedience.

Faith Over Fear

- Faith is the antidote for fear (2 Timothy 1:7).
- Faith comes by hearing (Romans 10:17).
- Faith without works is dead (James 2:20).
- Without faith it is impossible to please God (Hebrews 11:6).

Why It's Important to Walk Boldly in the Spirit

- We are called to action (Luke 14:23).
- We are to share the gospel and witness to the goodness of God (Luke 24:47).
- We are to make disciples (Matthew 28:19–20).
- We are the representatives of Christ, His voice, hands and feet (Mark 16:17–18).
- What are some tactics, the father of lies uses against us spiritually?

The Good News

- Jesus has made the way for us by equipping us to be and do whatever He calls us to.
- We are empowered when we receive the Holy Ghost (Acts 1:8).
- The Holy Ghost is a promise (Acts 2:38).

Ways We Can Increase Our Faith and Boldness

- Read and study God's Word (2 Timothy 2:15).
- Pray for boldness (Acts 4:29).
- Speak the Word of God (Philippians 4:13; Deuteronomy 31:8).
- Practice obedience (1 Samuel 15:22).
- Purpose to walk in the Spirit (Colossians 3:2).

Final Thoughts

- Do it scared.
- Courage is not the absence of fear.
- Courage is taking action in the presence of fear, danger, or difficulty.
- Confidence must be in Jesus, not ourselves or our emotions.
- Scriptures: Jeremiah 1:9; Isaiah 41:10; Psalm 73:26; Psalm 56:3–4

Things to Think About

- How can faith act as a shield when fear tries to take over?
- Where do you sense God asking you to step out in boldness this week?
- Which of the "Ways to Increase Faith and Boldness" is most needed in your life right now?
- How has God already proven Himself faithful when you faced fear in the past?

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