

Great Joy In The City Ministries

“With God all things are possible”



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Dear BSCMF Member,

"I will give you all the proof you want that Christ speaks through me. Christ is not weak when he deals with you; he is powerful among you. Although he was crucified in weakness, he now lives by the power of God. We, too, are weak, just as Christ was, but when we deal with you we will be alive with him and will have God's power. Examine yourselves to see if your faith is genuine. Test yourselves. Surely you know that Jesus Christ is among you; if not, you have failed the test of genuine faith. As you test yourselves, I hope you will recognize that we have not failed the test of apostolic authority."

- 2 Corinthians 13: 3-6

Is your Faith genuine? Have you built up your faith and have tested it? Do people recognize in you genuine Kingdom authority? These are important questions for a preacher to ask themselves in these Last Days. As we look at today's Church around the world, we see many preachers who have the form of godliness but deny the power of God. They may have nice sermons that are full of worldly humor and wisdom that entertain the people, but they do not have the power of God that confirms their words. As a result, the world looks at the Church as weak and unimportant. The world cares little for the words and messages from supposed representatives of Jesus and the Kingdom of God. We see the end result of that spiritual disrespect – the world going to hell without any answers.

It is time for the true Church of Jesus Christ and its leadership to rise up in these Last Days. The Apostle Paul talking to the Corinthian Church gave a bold declaration when he stated, ***"I will give you all the proof you want that Christ speaks through me."*** It is obvious that Paul just declaring that he was a Man of God speaking for the Kingdom of God, was not good enough for the people of Corinth to pay him much attention about what he was saying. But Paul declared that he would preach the Gospel of the Kingdom and confirm his preaching with mighty signs, wonders and miracles that would give proof that Christ spoke through him. How could the Apostle Paul be sure that what he boldly declared would come to fruition? Because Paul had genuine Faith and it was tested. The Bible states in Mark 16:20, *"And the disciples went everywhere and preached, and the Lord worked through them, confirming what they said by many miraculous signs."* The Apostle Paul built his faith up on that promise that Jesus would work through him and confirm what he said with miraculous signs. He tested that promise from Jesus by demonstration – laying hands upon the sick in faith and watching Jesus do what he said he would do.

In these Last Days, you as a preacher of the Gospel of the Kingdom must build your Faith just like the Apostle Paul did. You must believe that Jesus will work through you and confirm what you say with signs, wonders and miracles. You must be bold when a blind man comes up to you and asks you to heal him. Fear will only come upon you during ministry, when you fail to understand and remember that it is Jesus who does the healing – you are only his instrument - Jesus' hands – when you lay hands upon the blind man. Jesus will confirm your faith and miracles will manifest. So, I encourage you this month to build your Faith on God's Word. Then be bold and lay hands upon the sick – Jesus will work through you and confirm your words and actions with miracles!

May God bless you richly,

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