

Sermon Notes

The New Life Part 3: Walk by Faith

June 4th – 5th, 2022

- **The New Life**
- Jesus changed the world with two words, “Follow Me.”
 - We are called out of the old and into the new, to be born again, to live new life in Christ.
- In this series we are looking at what that new life looks like, common experiences on that road.
- **Part 3: Walk by Faith**
- Faith is so important to following Jesus that we call it “The Faith”!
 - For our purposes, we are talking about “believing in”, “trusting”, “having faith in”, etc. All that.
- **John 6:28** is a great question!! **John 6:29** is an interesting answer.
 - What does it mean to believe in Jesus? Some abuse this language.
 - Coach example. If you believe in your coach you will run the play.
 - Jesus makes this point in **Luke 6:46**. If Jesus is Lord of your life, he has authority.
 - Trusting God means you believe that He knows something that you don’t, so you follow His direction.
 - The first part of faith in God is submitting your life to Christ as your Lord and Savior.
- What does walking by faith do??
 - An interesting dialogue happens in **Matthew 9:20-22**.
 - “your faith has healed you” is quite a statement. How exactly does that work?
 - Faith in God accesses the power of God. **Ephesians 2:8-10 (emphasis v8)**
 - Faith accesses the grace of God for salvation. Faith accesses the healing power of God.
 - Not just salvation and healing. Also, freedom, deliverance, spiritual gifts, calling, etc.
 - The second part of faith in God is moving mountains.
- Faith works the same with everything else too : faith accesses the power of the thing you put your faith in.
 - Believe in yourself. Let’s look at higher education as an example.
 - You believe, so you go to school, get loans, study, get your degree, get a job, live it up!!
 - Sounds nice, but often doesn’t go that way at all...predatory lending??
 - You have to know how it works to gain the benefit of education.
 - Back to faith in God. Anyone ever “put your faith in God” and had it not exactly work out? Why?
 - Most common reason is assumption.
 - God can do anything, but He won’t do just anything we want. My sleep example...
 - You need to find the will of God and the promises of God and believe for that!!
 - After that let’s deal with weak faith, fear, selfishness, perseverance, etc...
 - Planting the church way back when. Now for me it is building the house.
- The real promises of God are not platitudes, but challenges that we accept because we trust God and believe for the results!!
 - For example, **Luke 6:46-49**. If we believe in the one God has sent what would we do?
 - Follow the teachings of Jesus believing to be sustained through the storms of life.
- Communion Weekend. Let’s finish with **Luke 22:14-20**.
 - Remember. Believe in. Trust. Have faith in the Lord. Let’s humble ourselves and believe.
- Get personal prayer by emailing prayer@goodhope.ag.