

A Doubtful & Unbelieving Mind

Get Ready!

Have you experienced more peace of mind now that you've relinquished reasoning? Explain.

Read the verses leading up to the opening scriptures: Matthew 14:22-31 and Mark 6:1-6. Describe what is going on in each set of verses.

What is the difference between the effects of doubt and unbelief?

As we look then at these two powerful tools of the enemy, we see that doubt causes a person to waver between two opinions, whereas unbelief leads to disobedience. (page 95)

Get Set!

Read 1 Kings 18:21; Romans 12:3 KJV.

How does the devil try to negate our faith?

Why is it so important for us to know the Word of God?

Read Romans 4:18-21

How did Abraham overcome the attack of Satan?

What tools does Satan use to try to get us to “abort” our dreams?

What do they both work against?

Why does Satan attack us with doubt and unbelief?

Why does the devil not want us to get our mind in agreement with our spirit?

Doubt comes in the form of thoughts that are in opposition to the Word of God. This is why it is so important for us to know the Word of God. If we know the Word, then we can recognize when the devil is lying to us. Be assured that he lies to us in order to steal what Jesus purchased for us through His death and resurrection. (page 96)

Go to Battle

Look at Matthew 14:24-32; Romans 4:18-21; Ephesians 6:14.

How were Peter and Abraham alike in their faith? How were they different?

What are we to do in times of spiritual warfare?

Why does Satan bring storms into your life?

How do you resist him?

Abraham knew the conditions, but unlike Peter, his circumstances did not seem to hinder his faith. He probably didn't think about them much or talk about them. He kept His mind and conversation on God. You and I can be aware of our circumstances and yet, purposely, keep our mind on something that will build us up and edify our faith. That is why Abraham stayed busy giving praise and glory to God. We glorify God when we continue to do what we know is right even in adverse circumstances. (page 100)

Read James 1:5-7.

Describe a time in your life when you were led by your heart rather than your head.

How can you remember to give praise and glory to God when your circumstances are challenging?

What are some ways you will commit to glorifying God?

Remember

Since you can choose your own thoughts, when doubt comes you should learn to recognize it for what it is, say “No, thank you—and keep on believing! The choice is yours!

For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, the just shall live by faith.

(Romans 1:17 KJV)