

you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you.

The word “abide” means: to live, remain, and dwell. We need to live in the Word of God. If the mountain is not going away you need to step back, build yourself deeper in the Word and then reengage.

Question: *Do you have a personal example of a time you were able to overcome doubt by standing firm on what the Bible said about your situation?*

4) The obstacle of faith (verses 25-26)

We’ve talked about how we can live with unlimited faith, but it is important to understand that unforgiveness will limit our faith. If we can’t be trusted to forgive, then God cannot trust us with His power.

If you have any unforgiveness in your heart, it is important to give it over to God.

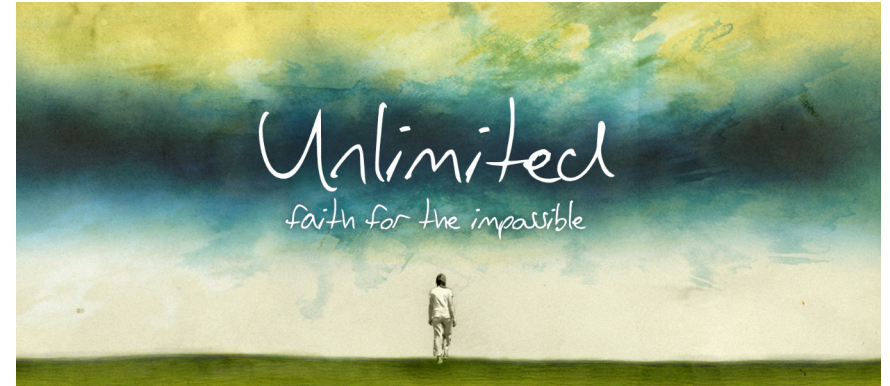
Question: *Why do you think God puts such an emphasis on forgiveness as it relates to having unlimited faith?*

Personal Application

God wants you to live with unlimited faith. What stood out to you the most in this discussion about faith? What are you going to do this week to begin to live with unlimited faith?

Prayer

Pray for any prayer requests that the people of your small group may have. Make sure to emphasize to them that God can and will do the impossible. When you pray over the requests pray Ephesians 3:20 which will build the faith of the people in your group. *“Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us”*



Week 3 – Faith That Speaks

Announcements

Small Group Training - Saturday, May 15 | 8:30am | Little Creek Campus
ACTS Expo – May 22-23 | LCC & NCC
IDENTITY Junior High Camp - May 30-June 2 | Eunice, LA
Men’s Breakfast - Wednesdays | 6:15am | Benedict’s Restaurant
Newcomers Dinner – May 23 | 6PM | Benedict’s Restaurant
Letting Go – Extras and meals needed | COTKpictures.com

Warm-Up

What is the greatest adventure you’ve ever experienced in your life?

If God were to do one thing for you today what would you ask Him to do?

Word

The last couple of weeks in our *Unlimited* series we’ve been learning how to view God as a huge god who has huge dreams for our lives. Today we are going to focus on how through God’s Word and prayer we can live an unlimited life!

Read 1 John 5:14-15

When we pray, we must make sure that our prayer lines up with God's will (v. 14) because if we pray according to God's will then we can expect to have our prayers answered.

Question: *How can you make sure you are praying according to the will of God?*

In order to pray according to the will of God we must know God's mind and His Word.

Question: *How can you make sure that you know God's mind and His word?*

The way that we can know God's mind and His will is by spending time reading and meditating on the Bible as well as talking and listening to Him. As we continue our time together today we are going to learn **4 Aspects of Unlimited Faith:**

Read Mark 11:22-26

1) The Object of Faith (v. 22)

Jesus tells us in Mark 11:22 that we must *"have faith in God."* Unfortunately some people have been taught that we are to have faith in faith, but Jesus tells us the object of our faith must be God.

Question: *What do you think the difference is between having faith in faith and having faith in God?*

Read Hebrews 4:16

We are told to come before God boldly with confidence just as a child would approach a loving father. This boldness will only come as we know God and know that He is going to answer us when we call. Once again, the ways that we can know God is through spending time in prayer and reading the Bible.

Question: *Do you tend to run to God with your needs and requests or do you tend to hold them back? What can you do to begin to be able to approach God boldly as you would a loving father?*

2) The outworking of faith (v. 23)

The amazing thing about this verse is that Jesus didn't tell his disciples to pray that the mountain would be moved, but He told them, *"Say to the mountain, be removed, and be cast into the sea."*

Question: *Why do you think Jesus tells us to speak to our mountains instead of only praying about them?*

Romans 10:17 tells us that *"Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God."* Therefore, our faith will grow when we **speak** the Word of God over the situations in our life. Speaking the Word of God assures us that we are praying according to God's will and it also allows our faith to grow because we are hearing the Word of God when we speak it out loud.

Question: *How has this concept of speaking in faith changed how you viewed the role of faith in your life?*

3) The obtaining of faith (v. 24)

Mark 11:24 gives us a very important command...we must ask. However, asking is not enough, we must ask and believe. Maybe you're in a place where you lack the faith to tell the mountain to be removed. The solution is to remember where faith comes from. Faith comes by hearing the Word. You must live in the Word if you want to build your faith. There is no better way to build your faith than meditating on the Word of God.

One other thing about verse 24 is you have to believe that you receive what you pray for. You cannot allow doubt to enter in. Reject doubt. Doubt your doubts. The Bible says in **James 1:6: But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind.** It is important for us to understand that in the context of these scriptures Jesus was teaching His disciples how to come against fruitless situations and remove obstacles.

Question: *Do you tend to struggle with doubt? If you do struggle with doubt, what can you begin to do to overcome it?*

John 15:7 says: **If you abide in me, and my words abide in you,**