Childlike Faith is Easy Pastor's Desk – February 4, 2018



Therefore, I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.

Mark 11:24

And whatever things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive.

Matthew 21:22

Have you ever gone through a time or phase in your life where you prayed or maybe you thought, "this is beyond my reach, it will really take a miracle and I just don't have it in me." I know I have, more than I would like to admit. On one occasion God reminded me that He was right there; listening, watching, waiting for me to just believe in Him and say the word.

When I was 8 years old, something happened to me that, at the time, I thought nothing of, but today it just blows me away. It was summer of 1995 and I remember it was a beautiful sunny day in Florida. In our yard we had a starfruit tree that never produced starfruits. On that particular day I really wanted and desired to eat one. I went to my mother and said "Mom I want some starfruit,

can I buy one at the store?" My mother, busy with ironing, didn't want to be bothered so she said, "Go lay hands on the tree and pray for a starfruit!" I said "ok!" So I went up to the tree and I started walking around it slowly as my fingers touched the leaves. I said a very simple prayer, "Jesus I want a starfruit. Tree, in the name of Jesus give me a starfruit. I really want to eat one. In Jesus name, amen."

After the prayer, I ran off to play. The next day around noon I went up to the tree to find my fruit. The starfruit tree produced one big juicy ripe fruit. I plucked it and said, "Thanks, Jesus!" I went inside my house to wash my fruit and Mom asked, "Where did you get that starfruit?" I replied, "From the tree." and off I went again to play. Never once in my mind did I question myself, my self-worth in God's eyes, how scientifically impossible it was for a tree to produce a fruit overnight, or how God was going to manage to give me a fruit in 24 hours. I was 100% confident in my God. My spirit just naturally became tuned in with God the moment I opened my mouth to pray.

A lot of times when we pray, we pray with a carnal mind. We see the problem, we scientifically dissect it, and we think of a solution and ask God to fix it the way we see fit. Or as we are praying, we are thinking of how to resolve it. But where is the faith in that? God reminded me that all I did was just believe in Him. I never once looked at the problem, but rather set my eyes on the one who always has the solution. I never doubted Him; I never tried to tell Him how to fix it, or even doubted if He was going to answer me. All I did was BELIEVE.

Don't ask how or when, just say THANK YOU JESUS! Remember, childlike faith is not CHILDISH, but rather pure and honest with no sign of doubt whatsoever. Believe in God just as a child believes in Him. Just say the word.... And it SHALL BE ESTABLISHED! It's that easy, trust me, I know.

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