

Notes used in the Message

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HEBREWS 11:1-3

- » 1 † ¶ Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.
- » 2 † For by it the elders obtained a good report.
- » 3 † Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

1) 62-1104M BLASPHEMOUS.NAMES_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-3 N-21 SUNDAY_

« 142 † Patience, and so forth, there's a mockery of it, a pretending to be; a nature-given faith; a nature-given virtue. There's a nature-given temperance. All these things are nature given.

143 And the biggest part of our faith is mental faith. [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.] By hearing the Word, it brings us to a mental recognition of God.

144 But if This, coming from Above, oh, brother, if It ever strikes this, there is a godly spiritual faith. Then what does that faith do? That faith recognizes only the Word. No matter what anything else says, it only recognizes the Word, because, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." And the Word is still God. "And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." **And when the Word Itself is pouring into our faith, our mental faith becomes a spiritual revelation.**

145 "And upon this foundation I'll build My Church." See? Not upon a mental conception of church joining, a mental conception of That; but upon the revelation, when them streams of grace has poured into that mental faith that you've got. Then, upon this, a spiritual revelation, "I'll build My Church, and the gates of hell can't prevail against It." See? That shows they would be against It, but it'll never prevail. Oh, what a glorious thing! Now see the faith. These five streams...

I had a piece of chalk here, but I guess he never brought it out.

2) 6GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5287

5287 » hupostasis {hoop-os'-tas-is} uJpovstasiβ from a compound of 5259 and 2476; TDNT -- 8:572,1237; n f

AV -- confidence (2)

-- confident (1)

-- **person (1)**

-- substance (1) [5]

1) a setting or placing under; thing put under, substructure, foundation

2) that which has foundation, is firm; hence

2a) that which has actual existence; a substance, real being

2b) the substantial quality, nature, of a person or thing

2c) the steadfastness of mind, firmness, courage, resolution; confidence, firm trust, assurance

3) 55-0114 DOCTOR.MOSES_ CHICAGO.IL FRIDAY_

« E-8 † No much... How much psychology, that doesn't mean anything. What... I don't say it doesn't mean anything, pardon me. I... It helps, psychology. But it doesn't take the place of reality. That's right.

Psychology is something you're thinking of or mentally worked up to. But the reality is God's placing that in confirmation of your psychology. It brings...

"Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." It's actually an evidence, something positive when it's confirmed to you.

4) 64-0305 PERSEVERANT_ DALLAS.TX V-19 N-9 THURSDAY_

« 65 † She believed this, no matter how much people didn't believe it.

66 Faith finds a source that other people don't know nothing about. When a man has got faith in God, he's got a hold of something that he can't explain it. It's something that he's got a hold of. He cannot push it, or shove it, or pull it. It takes Him. That's the way faith is, when a man really got faith in God, it finds that source that others don't see.

5) 55-0806 JESUS.CHRIST.THE.SAME.YESTERDAY.TODAY.AND.FOREVER_ CAMPBELLSVILLE.KY SATURDAY_

« E-16 † Now, faith is the subject right now that we have under consideration. What is faith? Many people substitute hope for faith. But it's just as much difference as it is day and night. For the Bible in Hebrews the 13th chapter said, "For faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." See, it's not just a mythical hope; it's absolutely a substance. Oh, I hope you see this. And then you'll see things happen.

See, many people can have hope in their mental thinking. And sorry to say, that's the position of many Christian profess today is mental thinking. They have a conception. But never have yet experienced what Jesus said, when He said, "Except a man be borned again, he will not see the Kingdom," or the word translated right is understand the Kingdom of God.

You look at anything, say, "I--I just don't see it." You don't mean you don't see it with your eyes; you don't see it with your heart; you don't understand it.

6) 58-0530 TIME.TESTED.FAITH_ NEW.YORK.NY FRIDAY_

« E-15 † Now, faith is so simple. The Scripture says, "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

Now, faith is not a myth. It's something that you actually possess, just like this: if I had a... If I was starving, and--and I--you come to me, and I said, "I'm starving."

You say, "What would save your life?"

I'd say, "A loaf of bread."

And you'd go into your pocket and bring out twenty-five cents and hand it to me and say, "Here you are, Mr. Branham, you don't have to starve."

Well, I haven't got the bread yet, but I've got the purchase power of the bread. Now, I may be a mile from the bread, but I can be just as happy with that quarter in my hand, as I can when I got the bread in my hand, because I've got the purchase power of the bread.

And when faith is anchored, that it's finished, you're just as happy as if you was already jumping and shouting, because it's all over. You have it. It's something you know you've got it. Nothing can move it. You never watch for any evidences or anything else; you just know you have it.

7) 62-0621E CONFIRMATION.AND.EVIDENCE_ SOUTH.GATE.CA THURSDAY_

« E-21 † See, it isn't a myth. It isn't an imagination. It's a--it's a substance. And anything that's a substance isn't a myth. It's something that you actually have got a hold of it. Now, there is where so many people fail to get healed. They have a hope instead of a faith. You hope that you will. You're--you're kind of have imaginary faith, because that you feel that you are--have appropriated that. But when actually you've got a hold of faith, it's a substance. It's something real. Then you hold that. And that's what brings it.

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9) 57-1208 I.STAND.AT.THE.DOOR.AND.KNOCK_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN SUNDAY_

« E-28 † Oh, it don't have to be spontaneously. It don't have to be that way. Certainly not. Just as long as you believe it. There's where Christians fail today. The Bible said, "Faith is the substance of things hoped for. It's the evidence of things not seen." Then what would you say to it then?

Now, it's not a myth. It's not a thought. It's not a hope. It's not a wish. It's a substance. It's actually something that you possess. For instance, I come to you and I say to you, "I am hungry. I have to have some bread."

And you say, "What do you need? What money do you need?"

"I need twenty-five cents to buy a loaf of bread. I'm hungry."

And you say, "Here is the twenty-five cents."

Now, twenty-five cents is the purchase power of the loaf of bread. And as long as I've got the twenty-five cents, I've got it. It's a substance. I can be just as happy standing here with the twenty-five cents, and the loaf of bread on Spring Street.

Oh, blessed be His Name. You don't let Him come in. Open that door of faith. When He says anything, it's the truth. When His promise is to you, that's the substance, **when faith anchors to know that God cannot lie.**

It's settled.

Now, I've got the twenty-five cents. It's not just something I imagine. I'm possessing the twenty-five cents. I walk out the door. Why, I'm just as happy as I--if I had the bread, for I've got the purchase power.

10) 58-0325 FAITH.BY.EXPERIENCE_ MIDDLETOWN.OH TUESDAY_

« E-4 † And now, it's been said, and it's true, that cowards die ten thousands times where a hero never dies. God wants people who are brave and can take their stand. If anything that Christ could not use in His kingdom, would be a coward. Now, we see here, He said, "Have faith in God."

The first place, we should find out what faith is. The Bible says that faith is the substance of things hoped for; and it is the evidence of things not seen. This little word "faith" gets mixed up, lot of times, with "hope," and "hope," "faith." They are just as much difference as day is from night.

Faith is the substance and hope is what you're hoping for, faith delivers. Faith, being the substance of things hoped for, then it would not be just a thought. [Brother Branham clears his throat--Ed.] (Pardon me.) It would not be a thought; it is a substance. Now, a substance is something that you can--you have.

11) 58-0518 TESTED.FAITH.PRODUCE.GOODS_ BANGOR.ME SUNDAY_

« E-7 † Jesus saying, "Have faith in God," the book of Hebrews the 11th chapter said that faith is the substance of things hoped for, and the evidence of things not seen. Now, remember, it's just not an intellectual conception of something; it is a substance. It's something that you possess.

12) 62-0621E CONFIRMATION.AND.EVIDENCE_ SOUTH.GATE.CA THURSDAY_

« E-19 † Now, in Hebrews we're taught again, that the faith... Hebrews 11: "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." See? It is a substance. Now, it isn't a hope. Most people come with hope. But faith is the substance. It isn't something that you're hoping for. When faith has taken a hold, you have a substance, not just a myth. You've got a hold of something. You know it. Nothing shakes you from it. It's yours. You're positive. You have it in your hand. You've got it. It's your possession.

13) 63-0825E PERFECT.FAITH_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-6 N-11 SUNDAY_

« 33 † Notice, it is something that you possess; not imagination, if you really have it. It's just as real to you as any other thing that could be. It's just as real as--as you know that--that you're riding an automobile. It's just as real as you know that you're setting in the church. It's just as real as you hear my voice. It is a substance, not an imagination, not an emotion; but something that you have, and it comes to you by hearing the Word of God, and That only. "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing the Word of God." That puts it back to where your faith, then, is not in some individual. It's not in a man. It's not in an organization. It's not in a group of people. It's in God, because God is the Word. See? Your faith is in God.

Faith cometh by hearing the Word of God.

34 Then when God, by His Word,... not by what somebody else did, somebody else said, but by what God's Word said. He said, "Let every man's word be a lie, and Mine be true."

« 35 † Now, you see somebody else do something by a word, act of God, or a promise of God; and many of them say, "I can do that, too." It's an imagination. And when they do, you find them wrecked up out there somewhere. It's got to be a substance. Now, that is potentially a faith. That is something that would bring you to a faith. It's potentially, like if you'd asked me for an oak tree, and I give you an acorn. Potentially you have an oak tree, but it hasn't produced itself yet; but when it really brings itself out, it is an oak tree. And when you imagine that God does this,... But when it's revealed to you, it's a faith then, a Perfect Faith that cannot fail.

14) 63-0825E PERFECT.FAITH_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-6 N-11 SUNDAY_

« 41 † Now, faith is the substance, and by it, we understand, all of those things are done. It's not a--it's not an imagination, it is a substance; especially Perfect Faith. That's what I'm talking on tonight, getting to Perfect Faith. It is not an imagination.

42 Now, others, have people come say, "Oh, I got all faith; oh, I sure have." Well, what are you standing here for, then? See? See? See, your--your very actions prove that you haven't got what you're talking about. See? If you had faith, then what you stand in the prayer line for? See? What do you do these things for?

15) 63-0825E PERFECT.FAITH_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-6 N-11 SUNDAY_

« 29 † In Hebrews, the Book of Hebrews, the 11th chapter, we are told that.
... faith is the substance of things hoped for,...

30 Now, here's where many people fail to receive their healing, or what they're asking for, because they take faith to be something that it is not. See? They don't believe it. It--it's... it--it's not imagination. It is an actual substance.

31 Now, listen close! See, it is not what you imagine. It's just as real to you as any sense of your body will declare anything else. It's just as real as my eyes says, "This is a piece of paper." It's just as real as to say that "that is a light." It's just as real as to say, "I feel my coat." It's just as real as--as I hear that baby talking there, or making its noise. See, just that real, as music playing. It's just as real as I taste anything in my mouth. It is that real, only you can't show it to somebody else. You have it alone. Amen! It's yours. Faith is the substance; see, not just a myth. So, many people come...

32 Now, these are real deep lessons, and I'll catch the top of it, then you dig down in it. See?

16) 47-0412 FAITH.IS.THE.SUBSTANCE_ OAKLAND.CA SATURDAY_

« E-19 † Now, some--many people come through the line, and they say, "Oh, I have faith to be healed."

And, friends, when they pass by, I know they haven't enough faith to cure a toothache. That's right. And some of them coming through with cancer, and say, "I have faith to be healed," they do not have faith.

My Scripture lesson tonight said, "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." See, it's a substance. It's something direct, something that you really have, not something that you imagine, something that you think you have; but it's some direct positive act that you have. You see what I mean?

17) 47-0412 FAITH.IS.THE.SUBSTANCE_ OAKLAND.CA SATURDAY_

« E-53 † Now, faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence (See?), direct positive, just the same as my sight is positive, same as my feeling's positive... It's the evidence of things not seen, just as positive as that is. You see what I mean? So many people try to work theirself up and say, "Oh, I--I got faith." But, friends, it's not there. If it was, it would react. See? You know what I mean?

18) 58-0105 HAVE.FAITH.IN.GOD_ CHICAGO.IL SUNDAY_

« E-6 † Now, some thinks that it's a mental conception of the Word, but that is not right. Faith is a substance. Faith is not a myth. Say... **Faith is a substance of things hoped for; the evidence... To have an evidence, it must be a substance. So it is not just something that you imagine in your mind; it's something that absolutely, you have. It's something that you possess in your own being.** And what is it? It's the evidence of things that you have hoped for. It's the evidence of things you do not have as yet, but you have the authority of God to say that you have it. It's an evidence, something you have in your heart.

« E-7 † Now, it's--it's not something that you just kindly push yourself to. I've noticed so much of that in my meetings, that people try to work theirself up into something, to make them believe. Now, you can't do that. You're just beating the air. **But faith is something that's just as calm and settled as it can be. It's taking God at His Word and having the assurance in your heart, that God is able to keep what He has said that He would do and will perform everything that He said He would do.**

Now, I've noticed it many times, people think they must be prayed for. That's all right. We should pray for each other. Or that their hands might be... or some evangelist's hands, must be ministered. That's all right. That'll bring contacts and so forth of faith. **But real, unadulterated faith is taking God at His Word. That's the main thing.**