

WORD FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

GOD'S PATIENCE AND KINDNESS LEADS PEOPLE TO REPENTANCE. ROMANS 2:4

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Fearful or Faithful?

I can't do this. *This* I can't do.

There I was. In the car. Nothing seemed to be working. Nothing seemed to be going right.

And as I sat, ruminating on all the things that were going on, all the things that *seemed* to be going wrong, I got more anxious, more fearful, more frustrated.

Jesus, help me! I cried out, *Help me, help me, help me!*

And His answer came, as clearly and gently as could be: *You have everything you need to do this.*

And I knew...He was right!

It wasn't that I didn't know what to do or how to do it. The problem was simply that I was afraid. Afraid of what people would think. Afraid of what people would say. Afraid of what people would do.

And at that moment, I was reminded once again that I have a choice. The same choice you also have every moment of every day...fear or faith.

Fear *of* what *might* happen. Or faith *for* what *will* happen.

But wait a minute...faith *for* what *will* happen? But you don't know what will happen.

Sure I do. And so do you.

How? Because God has already told us what will happen!

What will happen? He will work everything together for good! It might look scary, it might seem tough, but God has already promised that He *will* work it all together for good.

What will happen? He will be there. Right beside you and right beside me. In the midst of our situations. In the midst of our lives. He has already promised that He will never leave us, that He will never forsake us and that He *will* remain with us.

What will happen? We will live. Really live! Sometimes we get so dramatic: I can't do *that!* If I do *that*...I'll just die. Or: I could never do *that!* If I did *that*, it would just be way too painful.

But the reality is, when we trust God, when we walk in humble obedience with Him, we will not only live, we will thrive!

Oh, my friends, we will not die when we choose to forgive, apologize, love, whatever it is that God has asked us, commanded us, invited us to do. We will thrive!

The simple truth is this: obedience brings life. Obedience brings growth. Obedience brings maturity.

So, today, I'm choosing faith. Faith for what *will* happen. Faith in my Heavenly Father and what *He* has promised. And faith in who God says that *I* am and who He has declared *me* to be.

Fear or faith. We all have the choice. Which do you choose?

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11
NIV

And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to His purpose for them. Romans 8:28 NLT

I will never leave you nor forsake you. from Hebrews 13:5 NKJV

I am with you always, even to the end of the age. from Matthew 28:20 NKJV

By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know Him, the One who called us to Himself by means of His marvelous glory and excellence. 2 Peter 1:3
NLT

Dates & Times to Remember

3rd Sunday Fun Day

Our 3rd Sunday Fun Days are back! Kidz in preschool through grade 6 will enjoy fun and games outside every 3rd Sunday of the month!

Contact Susie for all the info!

April 19 / 10:20am

Heaven in Business

Join us for our next meeting of Heaven in Business! God is moving in the hearts of each of us as we intercede for our workplace and community!

Contact Denise for more info.

April 25 / 9am