"THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING" (A Contrast in Behavior)

SET FREE TO LIVE A COMMITTED FAITH- Recap

"Now FAITH is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." (Heb. 11:1)

"Fight the good fight of FAITH." (I Timothy 6:13)

"Earnestly contend for the FAITH..." (Jude 3)

I. Clouds/Fire in your life

- There are many trials in life; you will face trials in this life no matter who you are or what you possess.
- Salvation is the one thing that prevents us from falling victim to the trials that come; you will have them but because of the Holy Spirit you can overcome
- Having trials is a natural part of life; how will you respond when they come
- o What do you do when the dark clouds try to overshadow you?
- o How can you see beyond the clouds or in the shadows?
- o How do you get peace while going through your valley's?
- o Fight the good fight until death
- o Be committed to what you believe because God says it
- o IF you are a child of God, you will face trials; God uses those trials to help you depend on him
- o When the trials of life occur; allow God to give you strength
- o As a Christian sistar you have the power that helps you stand
- o God will be with you in the fire and will always be present
- When the clouds and fire come know that God is always near you

- Your vertical connection is the 1 thing that sustains you and makes you align with his will
- o God is the great "I am" will you trust him?
- You can take God at his word; there is over 5,000 promises in God's word

When you align with what God wants you learn to send Judah first and that turns into your faith and belief in God!

Live like you have never lived before! Share like you have never shared before! you might not ever get the chance like you have today!

Live in the today of your life!

II. What is Faith?

- The promises of God are yours and that means that you have the ability to overcome the perils of life
- Faith is the assurance/confirmation/ of things hoped for
- Faith is hope based on the evidence of what is to be true
- When you believe what is evident (God's word) then you are able to propel into what you hope to become
- Faith is both a verb and noun- Faith is something you have, and Faith is something you do!
- Faith is activated by the word of God it is the right now of what needs to be done in your present
- Faith takes works; your faith is shown by the way you love and do for others
- You might say you have faith, but real faith is shown by what you do!
- Are you living the save and sanctified life or are you just meandering through life?
- Is it well with your soul?
- Do you believe that you are beautifully and wonderfully made?
- Faith is about moving in what you can't see in order to gain what can be

- Are you committed to what you are commanded? Remember the faith of the woman with the issue of blood her faith was in the object (Jesus) and that was the hope of her faith.
- It is by our testimonies that our faith is increased; in hearing the testimonies of others your faith is strengthened no one can share your story the way that you can.
- There is faith like that of the Centurion solider he chose to be committed to the hope and faith in Jesus's power; Do you have faith that believes without seeing
- Faith by the power of the Holy Spirit gives us the ability to believe in that which is impossible
- Impossible= Im=Not Possible= capable of happening or being true
- In order for your faith to be made possible you must believe in God on a personal level
- When you believe in faith it means- living an alternative lifestyle that represents God from the inside and out
- You must believe because of the object of your faith; you may not always understand but you can still believe and carry the living hope.

The story of the tight rope walker

Many years ago there was a tight rope walker who was going to walk across Niagara falls with a man on his shoulder. Before he began the journey, he gave the instructions to the young man stating we are about to risk our lives; you don't have to do anything but if I sway to the left you sway to the left, if I sway to the right you move to the right. The tight rope walker stated I have the responsibility so you must put your trust in me.

Sistar you must be just like that young man; when God tells you to sway you move just like he says move. In your hurt move! In your triumph move! In your tears move! In your moving forward move as God tells you too and continue to put your trust in him!

The Lord is your strength in spite of what you can see!

Believe the word!

If you sway with Jesus, you will get to the other side!

Remember to send Judah first!

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