

Message 3 - God Is Able - 11/21/2009

Greetings and God Bless. Today, I want to take a few minutes with the opportunity that I have been given and talk about what God has put on my heart recently.

In the world that we live in today, I am learning and observing new things as I continue to get older. I have learned that as you move from the transition in your life from a child to an adult, that there are many changes that take place through that time, and many decisions that have to be made during that course. And in most of the cases that I have found, we feel like we have no one to really help us answer the questions of what to do in the toughest situations and what direction to go when life throws you hard turns.

I wish that I could sit here and begin to tell everyone under the sound of my voice that life is going to be perfect for you from this day forward, and that you are never going to face anything that is going to be of any hardship, but that is something I cannot do. I wish that I could say that you are never going to have to face hard times financially, or face issues at home, or even at your work place. I wish that I could say that everything in your life was going to be easy street, and all you had to do was enjoy it.

One of the tougher lessons that I have learned about the life that we live is that you cannot change the trials ahead, nor can we predict what tomorrow holds. If we could, life would be a much easier thing to manage.

There are many of you out there today, who need God to move in a big way for your loved ones, whether it be to save them for the first time, or to save them from deaths door, to deliver them from the chains of bondage, or to free them from the perils of sin. Whatever the case may be, I'm here to tell you that you are not alone. I want you to know today that there are people that are still out there in this world, that are still praying for God to save, to heal, to set free, to do all the things that we need God to do in their lives.

My message to all of you out there today is that God is able to move for you, regardless of what you are going through, if you are willing to step up and put all that it takes behind it.

Matthew 21:18-22 Speaks of Jesus in Bethany

- [18] Now in the morning as he returned into the city, he hungered.
- [19] And when he saw a fig tree in the way, he came to it, and found nothing thereon, but leaves only, and said unto it, Let no fruit grow on thee henceforward forever. And presently the fig tree withered away.
- [20] And when the disciples saw it, they marvelled, saying, How soon is the fig tree withered away!
- [21] Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done.
- [22] And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.

If I could say anything to you that could be of some encouragement, it would be to get yourself out of the mind of the popular opinion; the belief that would make you say that there is no hope for them, the belief that would make you say that they are never going to change, the belief that would make you say that things will never be any different.

Things changed for you, right? God moved in your life to get you where you are today, right?

God delivered you from a great measure of things, things that you are aware of, and countless things that haven't even crossed your mind.

I know what God has brought me through, and every time I count the cost that my Savior sacrificed for me, it's enough to remind me to continue to believe that there is hope for anyone out there who needs it, who needs that great miracle. It CAN happen. It IS POSSIBLE.

Don't give up on your cause to see these things through. If anything, get even stronger in the fight. Take even more time to call out their names in prayer. Make the extra effort to invite them to church face-to-face, and not just through a phone call. Go above and beyond the call of duty, and truly show them how bad you want them there, and show God how bad that you want this mountain moved out of their way.

We at Heart of Grace are praying for all of you to go forward and not backward in your walk with God that all churches in this community, regardless of your denomination or your belief, start realizing the true need that is surrounding us. It doesn't matter what sign you have on your door; get out there and show people the love of God in your heart, and lead them to Christ. Help them to find the strength and refuge that they truly need. It's not about what we think is best anymore, it's about what the people need, they are out there empty handed and empty hearted, and they need a Savior.

And we have a Savior that is more than able. We serve a God that is more than able to move in these things. We have a God that is all-powerful, and can move in their

situations, and start changing their lives, and saving them once and for all. Join us in getting out there, and truly becoming fishers of men. God is able!

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