

Walking by FAITH - Day 2 - Pt 1: Faith And Sight

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We thank God. Today, I am so honored to be in front of such an audience. Honestly, I feel so blessed because I know the servants of God is sensitive to what happens in the church.

In this local assembly. And so, if I stand here, I am just grateful to God that God is at work in our midst and that the word that is coming your way is from him and that it will bless you and bring transformation in your life.

In Jesus' name, amen. But more so, I am just honored to have Pastor David O'Reilly here. Let's give God a big, big, big, big hand. Thank you.

[1 : 22] Yes. When I saw him with his notebook, I said, Holy Ghost, you got to take over. You have to because he is from the living faith mission.

The faith is alive and it is working. And he is sitting here with a notebook. Holy Ghost, today, it got to be yours. You have to take over.

And I am so honored to find friendship, any level of friendship, if it is an oit of friendship, with his precious wife, Mrs. Camille O'Reilly. I feel so honored she's here.

She said, I'll be here. I was actually begging her not to come today. But she said, I'll be here. And I'll be here to hear from God through you. And so, Pastor David, Mommy Kay, we are so honored.

And me, myself, I am so honored. We thank God for your lives. And Carys as a church, we sincerely appreciate your fellowship. We thank God. And I have to say this.

[2 : 23] But God's servant of the house, we just thank God for his life. Because he's such a sensitive man. He's a man who works with God.

And that through him, we are encountering God in diverse ways. This afternoon, I was taking stock of the fact that for 52 weeks, every Sunday that we meet, testimonies are given to God's glory in this house.

Every Sunday, there are times we take testimonies on Fridays. Virtually every Friday, we take testimonies. And we're not taking just one testimony of something that you wonder, why did this person come up? But tangible proofs that God is at work in our midst.

We thank God for your obedience, Pastor David. And we know that God is taking you far in Jesus' name. Amen. Amen. Okay. When I was coming up, I was told it's 20 minutes.

So, I'll go straight to the point. No matter what, I don't have much to say. I might want rounding around. So, we'll go straight to the point. As we heard from yesterday, that our walk with God is the walk of faith.

- [3 : 26] It would take faith to have anything, any kind of walk, any kind of relationship with God. Because you all bear witness to me that most of us never saw God physically. But we received him.
- We believed in him. When we heard the word, we believed that this is God. That's where God wants me. And that you receive the word of salvation. And so, it has to take faith. Any aspect of our relationship with God would take faith.
- Other scriptures say that without faith, it is impossible to please God. He that comes to God must believe that he is a God and he diligently. He rewards those who diligently seek him.
- So, it is a walk of faith. We heard clearly yesterday. And in this season, more so in this season, we have pursued God. We have cried on him.
- We have, some of us have rolled. Some of us have laid down. We've done all kinds, received all kinds of anointings, all kinds of declarations for 90 days. And we have received the word of God.
- [4 : 22] Some of it's clear rammer to you. You know God is speaking to you, clearly concerning your tomorrow. Most of us will testify on that. And also, when we meet, there's a word of exhortation that comes to us.
- So, the word of God has been coming to us for 90 days. So, it's not an issue of whether the word of God has come or not. It has come. We all testify to that.
- But at the getting to the end of these 92 days, God is bringing a charge to us. That we should walk by faith and not by sight. So, all the things that God has said over us, over us as a local church, over us as individuals, His charge to us for these three days is that pursuing me is good, seeking me is good, crying out for me, seeking my word is good.
- But you would have to walk by faith and not by sight in order for those words to come to pass. Hallelujah. Can you say that I'm walking by faith?
- I'm not walking by sight. I'm walking by sight. I'm walking by sight. I'm not walking by sight. Yesterday, Pastor David said that.
- [5 : 35] I'll be saying Pastor David, Pastor David, so, but those of us who are here, you know who said which one. Pastor David did mention that God's richest potential is deposited in you.
- This is a huge statement. But it's true. Because it's said in His Word. God's richest potential is deposited in you and is deposited in myself.
- But also, Pastor David also said that. Do you believe this? God's richest potential is deposited in you. Do you believe this? Do you believe this?
- Or you are just stuck in your nine to five, your children, your husband, your little job, your little pay, and that's it. Do you believe that God's richest potential is in you?
- Let's go to James chapter one. One afternoon, I was in my kitchen and I was listening to Bible on tape.
- [6 : 38] And the scripture came up. And it just shook me. Even though I've been praying and seeking God, the scripture gave me a different perspective. James chapter one, verse five.
- I think it will be only fair to start from verse five. But my emphasis will be verse six to eight. If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all library without reproach, and it will be given to him.
- But let him ask in faith. Ask in faith with no doubting. For he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind.
- For let's not this man. This is where he just messed me up. He said, let's not that man. Suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord.

Don't think he will receive anything from the Lord. Why? He is double-minded man. Unstable in all his ways. Unstable in all his ways.

[7 : 42] So he said, if you are asking, ask in faith. Do not doubt. If you doubt, you are like the sea with the wind blowing it. You can't hold grab of the sea as the wind tosses up and down.

You can't hold grab of it. That is why it will be against your destiny to be double-minded. Because nothing will be stable in your life. Nothing will be stable in your life.

It is of a necessity. He said, let this man suppose that. Not suppose that he will receive anything from God. God doesn't work with people who are double-minded. He doesn't. He works with people with faith.

So he said, if you ask, ask in faith. Just declare that my faith is rising. My faith is coming alive. In Jesus' name. Being double-minded means that you're trying to go two ways at the same time.

So you don't have one direction. You're going two ways at the same time. We can all attest to the fact that you can't go north and south at the same time. You'll be literally messing yourself about. You wouldn't even know what to do.

[8 : 45] You're going to North London and going to South London at the same time. Well, you'll be going around, runabout basically. You will not be able to exit. And that, it also says that you cannot serve two masters.

You can't. So it requires that. That is the person who is double-minded. Trying to serve two masters at the same time. Trying to go to the north and the south at the same time.

The Bible says that don't think that you receive anything from God. So it's quite, if I bring it to what we are talking about today. It's like trying to walk by faith and also by sight at the same time.

Walking by faith. Walking by God's word. Or walking by sight. Walking by the circumstances around you. As the wings of life blow. Trying to do that at the same time.

By faith and by sight. Don't think you receive anything from God. So we have gone through 90 days. But God is telling us, giving us a charge that it will take faith. It would be by faith.

[9 : 42] It would be by sight. In 2015, the things that we have laid hold on. It will be by faith for that manifestation to come forth in the name of Jesus. And it's coming forth in Jesus' name.

Because your faith is rising. In 1 Kings chapter 18 verse 21. Verse 21. 1 Kings chapter 18 verse 21.

And Elijah came to all the people and said, How long will you falter between two opinions? How long would you be wavering between faith and sight?

How long would you falter between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him. If Baal is God, follow him.

Because there is no productivity in faltering between two opinions. As I said, you are within a runabout. You are never exiting. Going around.

[10 : 46] Going around. Going around on yourself. Going nowhere. You have made a decision to go north and go south at the same time. So you are stuck in a runabout. You are not making any movement. You are not making any progress.

How long would you falter between two opinions? You can't serve two masters. You can't walk by faith and walk by sight at the same time. And the choice is quite clear. The teachings that we are receiving is actually entreating us to walk by faith.

Teaching us to walk by faith. Encouraging us to make the right choice. God's choice. Which is walking by faith and not by sight. Hallelujah. Somebody's faith is increasing in the name of Jesus for 2012.

Okay. Let's pass on to Matthew chapter 14 verse 20. Now this is very interesting. Matthew 14 verse 29. I think from verse 22.

Jesus says to his disciples. Get in the boat and go to the other side. Verse 34. And they arrived at the other side. So 22 he said. We are going to the other side. 34 he said.

[11 : 48] We are at the other side. It was clear. They had gotten to the other side. But between 22 and 34. Some stuff happened. Some were seeing ghosts. The storms were blowing. And all kinds of things were happening.

But the interesting thing is. Jesus said. We are going to the other side. And they got to the other side. In the name of Jesus. In 2012. It will be your year of getting to the other side. In your financial life.

In Jesus name. In your marital life. You are getting to the other side. In the name of Jesus. This is exciting. When Jesus says it. He means it. And he delivers it.

In the name of Jesus. We give him all the praise. But quickly. Let's look at verse 28 and 29. And you will see the difference between walking by faith.

And walking by sight. Okay. So verse 28. It said. And Peter answered him. So when Peter saw Jesus walking on the sea.

[12 : 45] He asked that. Can I come over? So. And Jesus said. Be of good. Here I am. He said. So he told him. And Peter answered him. And said. Lord. If it is you command me to come on the water.

Verse 29. So he said. Come. Jesus gave the word. The come. And when Peter had come down out of the boat. He walked on the water. To go to Jesus.

So at the word of Jesus. He took a step of faith. Jesus said. Come. You could have wondered. How am I going to walk on this? I can't see any planks. I can't see any rescue boats.

Nothing. No. But Jesus said. Come. And he stepped out. And shock. Shock. Shock. He was walking on water. He was walking on water. That was his reality.

He was in the realm of faith. But look at verse 30. And it's interesting. It starts with but. But when he saw. Walking by sight. When he saw.

[13 : 44] Meaning. Meaning walking by sight. And not walking by faith. Based on the word that Jesus said. Come. He started on faith. He started in faith.

According to the word. That come. And he stepped out. And he started being a phenomenon. It was a strange thing. For a human being. To be walking on water. Verse 30 says.

But when he saw that. The wind was boisterous. I am sure the wind was already boisterous. As he was stepping out. But he started giving consideration.

To how boisterous the wind was. He started looking at it. Before. I'm sure when Jesus said. Come. He was looking at Jesus. He was looking at him. So.

As he stepped out. He was just looking at the person. The word that has come forth. So he stepped out in faith. Based on his word. And then. He started thinking. Oh. I am in this.

[14 : 39] I'm walking. On water. Instead of continuing to focus. On the word that came. And the deliverer of the word. He started walking by sight.

Looking at the circumstance around him. 2015. You cannot. Afford. To look at. The circumstances around you. You cannot. You have to live. You have to live.

By the word. That has come forth. That is walking by faith. And not walking by sight. By the word that has come forth. He was afraid.

When he looked at the. How boisterous the sea was. It caused fear in him. One day I heard. I was listening to. Domi radio. And I heard Bishop. He said.

I give no regard. This is it. And this is not. From somebody who is an intellectual. He is an intellectual. He said. I give no regard. To the economic principles. Of this world.

[15 : 37] Every regard. To the principles. Of the word of God. As tangible proofs. In our generation. He is one of the greatest men. God has raised. And he says. I give no regard. To the economy. Because within the economic crunch.

People were making. People of faith. Were rising. Within the time. Where we said. It is economic damage. So it depends on. What word you are working with. Absolutely. Whether you are working by faith.

Or you are working by sight. It is a choice. We had yesterday. And we are encouraged. To take the choice. Make the choice. And take God. God at his word. And walk by faith. And.

He started sinking. He started sinking. This is the outcome. Of walking by sight. The man who started walking.

On the word of God. Towards. The issuer of the word Jesus. Because of the circumstance around him. Started sinking. Most of us have received some strength.

[16 : 33] Things that is mind blowing. You have never thought. That God will consider you. To do such a thing. In your generation. You have received such a word. But it will take.

Faith in God. That what he has said. He will deliver. It will take that. As soon as you start looking at the circumstance around you. Listening to all kinds of voices. Looking at how boisterous life can be.

That is. That is where you start sinking. You start sinking. So the person was once walking. On water. Now the water is overcoming the person. That will not be your portion in Jesus name.

That will never be your portion in the name of Jesus. So walking in faith. Is walking in the realm of impossibilities. All things are possible. To him that believes. All things are possible.

To him that believes. The person was walking on water. Is an impossibility. But a human being was walking on water. Because he had faith. The realm of sight.

[17 : 32] Is a realm of sinking. The realm of sight. Is a realm of sinking. Sight will produce nothing. But sinking. It will produce nothing. But failure. It will produce nothing.

But disappointment. You have to make this determination. That I will walk by faith. And I will not walk by sight. Romans chapter 4 verse 18. Well I will probably focus on verse 20.

And I am beginning to round up. Romans chapter 4 verse 20 and 21. The scripture says something very interesting there. Talks about the father of faith Abraham.

And it says. Even though verse 19 would be really nice to read. But I will read verse 20. He did not waver at the promises of God. Through unbelief.

He did not have a double mind. At the promises of God. He did not stagger. At the promises of God. He wasn't in between two. He wasn't going north and south.

[18 : 30] At the promise of God. What God said was yea. And it was amen. That was it. And how did. How would we stagger? The Bible clearly says.

Through unbelief. Through doubt. Through having double mind. But was strengthened. There is strength in faith. Faith is a force.

It will move you from one place to another. It will move you from one place of limitation. To a place of impossibility. Faith is a force. You can't do it physically. You can't do it by sight.

It will take faith. To move you from where you are now. A place where you are not sure what is going to happen. To a place where you are ever confident. Ever convinced. That God's word will come to pass. And you walk in the reality.

Your manifestation will show forth in Jesus name. Amen. But verse 21 says. Being fully convinced. Absolutely convinced. No doubt. Others say.

[19 : 27] Fully persuaded. You can't convince me otherwise. That God said it. And I know it is. I cannot be. Nobody can talk me out of it. Nobody can sit and give me a lecture.

And think okay. Maybe. No. You can't receive. You can't receive. You are being double minded. No. You can't talk me out of it. I am fully convinced.

I am fully persuaded. I have no doubt. That what God has said will come to pass. Being fully convinced. That what he had promised. He is also.

He has the power to perform it. He is able to perform it. He is able. He can do it. He is just able.

He. I don't know what will limit him. We think so much about his greatness. But when it comes to believing what he has said concerning your life. It becomes something else.

[20 : 23] It becomes something else. We now begin to consider. Maybe I should do something else. Maybe I should walk by his side. Maybe I should consider what other people are saying. You may have received the word.

And it looks like it's tiring. It says wait. He is able. Be fully. It doesn't matter how long. Be fully convinced. That he is able.

To perform. The promises. He is giving you. God is able. When we talk about. He is everything. He is the creator. You didn't exist.

He brought you into existence. When he brought you into existence. He gave you a family. He gave creation. He created everything before he even bothered to start creating man. That is how much provision he has made.

I will go back to what Pastor David said yesterday. God's greatest potential is in you. He is able. Absolutely able. No doubt about it.

[21 : 19] Be fully convinced about this. At least be fully convinced that God will perform that which he has promised towards you. He hasn't failed anybody. When we look at Hebrews chapter 11.

We see evidences. Evidences. God gave them to us. So that we will be fully persuaded. Fully convinced that when he promises. He delivers.

And we have living proofs today. All the testimonies that have been shared on this altar. It's a proof that when God promises. He delivers. And he will deliver your promise in 2015.

Nothing will hinder it. Because he is able. To perform that which he promises. God is able. Absolutely able. I think it's an insult.

To ever think that God can do it. It takes full conviction.

[22 : 13] In God's word. To enjoy his promises. Full conviction. In God's word. To enjoy his promises. One thing I've come to realize is. Believers.

When you come. You will encounter somebody. Who is fully persuaded. You have encountered somebody who has proofs. Who has proofs. Of what he believes in. It's obvious.

And positive. He made a statement. You are wondering. But I believe. Positive. He made a statement yesterday. That 99% of Christians. Are living below standard. 99% of believers.

Are living below standard. If God said he would do it. Be fully convinced. Do you believe this? Do you believe this? Do you believe this?

Do you believe this? Oh. Isaiah 50 verse 7. It said. God will help me. This is somebody who was talking out of conviction. He said. Maybe God will help me.

[23 : 10] If I may be. Maybe. No, no, no. He said. God will. He was talking about God can. He said. God will help me. You have to walk in 2015.

Knowing that. God will help you. He will. He is committed to it. Absolutely committed. God will help me. He will not disgrace me.

He will not disgrace me. Why? So because of that. The scripture said. Therefore. He said. I have set my face. Like a hard rock.

I have set my face. Like a flint. I have set my face. Like a flint. Which is a hard rock. Unmovable. Unmovable. Fully convinced.

Fully persuaded. I have set my face. Like a flint. You can't move me. You can't talk me out of it. You can't convince me otherwise. I have set my face.

[24 : 09] Like a flint. When you are on a hundred meter. Line. That's not the time you will be wondering. Okay. Who is passing by? Oh. Oh. Did the gun go? Oh. Did I hear it? Asking somebody.

Touching the person. Oh. Did it? Did it? Who is supposed to? No. Everybody is focused. Everybody is set. Everybody is ready. At the sound of the gun.

People. Human beings begin to be like some strange animals. They just run. To get to the finish point. Set your face.

Set your face on the word of God. Make your determination. That God I am walking with you in 2015. And nothing else. It doesn't matter how boy shows the sea looks like. I have set your word.

I am holding on to your word. I am holding on to your word. Because I am fully persuaded. That you have promised. You are able to deliver. Amen. And it goes on further to say that.

[25 : 12] And I know. That I will not be this great. I am. I know. I know. I know. I know.

I know. That I will not. Be this great. It is not possible. For me to be this great. If I have set my face like a flint. On God's word.

What do you know? He said. I know. The prophet said. I know. Do you know? They helped us. I know.

What is happening in the secrets. That will determine. What kind of shit. The power that is behind your shots. Do you believe this? Do you believe this? What is happening in the secrets will determine.

What is happening on the outside. I know. In Mark chapter 13 verse 31. It said. Heaven and earth. Shall pass away. I know. That heaven and earth shall pass away.

[26 : 08] But no word of mine. Will be unaccomplished. Not one. The Luke version said. Not an aata.

Not a jot. Every comma is necessary. Every therefore is necessary. Every but in the word is necessary. Every end. And God said.

I am committed to it. Seeing to it. That each one of it. Each dot. Each comma. Each word that he has spoken over your life. He said. He is committed to it. That even if heaven.

The heavens. That we know. Moves. And the earth. That you stand upon. Now you wonder. Where will I be standing? Where will I be hanging? No. Even if that moves. He is committed to his word. He is committed to the performance of his word.

Hallelujah. God has given the word. Know it. Some of us. We write things. And we forget about them. I have encouraged people.

[27 : 05] Go back to the notes you wrote. When you are in the presence of God. He gave you all kinds of words. He spoke to you concerning your future. Go back to them. Read them. Pray them into being. Work them out. Do something about it. Ask the Holy Spirit for guidance. Don't just receive it and close the book. That's what some of us do to the Bible. It is nice to have a nice Bible.

But it is of no use to your destiny. If you open it. And find out what God is telling you. About your own life. I encourage you. 2015. The pastor says.

The servant of God says. Bury your head. In the word. Virtually. Your head is buried. In the word. Moving from page to page. According to the directions of the Holy Spirit.

And this word will become your reality. This word will become your reality. In the name of Jesus. He said in Hebrews chapter 5. Christ chapter 7 verse 25.

[28 : 02] He is able to save. To the uttermost. Completely save. Save and leave nothing out. He says that. Being confident of this very thing.

Philippians 1 says. That he. Who has begun a good work. He will perform it. Until the day of Christ. 1 Thessalonians 5 verse 24 says. He who calls.

He is faithful. And he also will do it. This is. This is. This is who I know. May he be your reality. In the name of Jesus. Habakkuk chapter 2 verse 3.

Quickly. And I run up now. I'm sure every member of Christ. Will know the scripture. Habakkuk chapter 2 verse 3 said. For the vision is yet for an appointed time.

But at the end it will speak. It will not lie. God doesn't lie. He doesn't. The vision is for an appointed time. In the end it will speak.

[29 : 03] It will not lie. Though it tarries. Wait for it. Because it will surely come. And it will not. I behold the proud. The soul is not upright in him. But they just. Shall live.

By his feet. Quickly just say Lord. I pray. Just raise your hand and say Lord. I need you this afternoon. For 2014. 2015. I pray for grace. To live by faith.

Because. You have committed. To deliver your word. You are able. To deliver your word. I pray for grace. To walk by faith. And not by sight.

In spite of the boisterous. I will see around me. I pray for grace. To hold on to your word. And walk with you. And walk by faith. And not by sight.

Hallelujah. We thank God. Let's give God a big big hand. For the word he's brought to us. They just shall live by faith. And not by sight.

[30 : 00] Amen. Amen. I hope you are blessed. We give God all the praise. Amen. Thank you for listening. For more resources. Please visit [caries.org](https://yetanothersermon.org).

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