Discipleship Training Manual: Lesson 8

Changing Your World

Born-Again Change

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

- Your spirit is the thing that changed when you became born again.
- Your address, your body, your personal circumstances, etc. may not have changed when you became born again.
- Because you have been changed, you now have access to the power of God to change things in your natural world.

Always-His-Will Promises:

- It is always God's will for your good health.
- It is always God's will for your healing.
- It is always God's will for your emotional peace.
- It is always God's will for your financial supply.

Never-His-Will Promises:

- It is never God's will for you to be unhealthy.
- It is never God's will for you to live with a physical infirmity.
- It is never God's will for you to have anxiety, worry, or fear.
- It is never God's will for you to be financially destitute.

Confessionary Prayer & the Power of Words

- There are different categories of prayer. One type is called confessionary speaking.
 - Confessionary prayer goes beyond positive thinking.
 - The power of God gets involved.
 - Confessionary prayer goes to the source of all original creative power words.

Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

Genesis 1:2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

Genesis 1:3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

- Genesis chapter 1 is a continual repeat of "And God said..."
- God created everything that exists by what He spoke.
- Jesus taught us the source of God's creative power and how to change our own worlds in the same way.
 - Mark 11:22 And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God.
 - Mark 11:23 For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

Mark 11:24 Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive *them*, and ye shall have *them*.

Amplified Version

Mark 11:22 And Jesus, replying, said to them, Have faith in God [constantly].

Mark 11:23 Truly I tell you, whoever says to this mountain, Be lifted up and thrown into the sea! and does not doubt at all in his heart but believes that what he says will take place, it will be done for him.

Mark 11:24 For this reason I am telling you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe (trust and be confident) that it is granted to you, and you will [get it].

• Your "mountain" is any circumstance in your life that is out of order with God's Word and forms a barrier or obstruction on the path that He has called you to walk.

Practical Applications

- With the authority and power given to us through Jesus Christ and after the example of our Father, we can change our world with our words.
- Our confessions MUST be based on the Word of God. If we ask for things that do not line up with our identity in Christ and the character of God, then we ask "amiss" (James 4:3) and our confessions will not come to pass.
- Emotions, Health/Healing, and Finances are three good life areas to start confessing God's Word over.

These confession sheets can be found at our website <u>broneflint.org</u> under "Teachings" and "Printable Materials."

PDF Link - Scriptures for Mental & Emotional Health

PDF Link – Scriptures for Healing & Health

PDF Link – Scriptures for Financial Increase

- Read and speak these confessions out loud! Say them multiple times throughout the week.
- Confessions are not only to change the circumstances around you, but to renew your mind to the truth of God's Word.