

Mens Conference video

This is our championship year!

Our 2025 Faith Confession:

1. My faith is alive in 2025.
2. My faith is activated.
3. My faith is working.
4. My faith is producing results.
5. My capacity for greater faith is enlarging.
6. My faith is getting stronger every day.
7. My faith is growing exceedingly.

“For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food. For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe. But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.”

Hebrews 5:12-14 NKJV

- It is the vision of KCM to move you from the milk to the meat - from religion to reality
- This scripture says that those who are dabbling in a minor understanding and practice of the Word of God - are unskilled in its use
- But those who practice(abide in) the Word of God by faith, have their senses exercised to determine good from evil.
- Why is this important?

“Now the Spirit expressly says that in later times some will depart from the faith by devoting themselves to deceitful spirits and teachings of demons,”

1 Timothy 4:1 ESV

- Deceit comes against the mind
- Thess 2:3 says that in the last days there will be a great falling away - many will abandon the faith
- Because they were unskilled in the word of righteousness

“THEREFORE LET us go on and get past the elementary stage in the teachings and doctrine of Christ (the Messiah), advancing steadily toward the completeness and perfection that belong to spiritual maturity. Let us not again be laying the foundation of repentance and abandonment of dead works (dead formalism) and of the faith [by which you turned] to God,”

Hebrews 6:1 AMPC

- The faith that got you saved - salvation level faith
- Paul is calling elementary level faith - unskilled faith
- Paul is saying why do I need to go back and lay these foundations of faith because of your lack of practicing your faith for higher-level of results
- We have to move from elementary-level faith to Masters-level faith - that is championship faith!

That's what Pastor George has been doing with us

- Elementary level faith gets you in the game
- Championship faith that changes outcomes and experiences the victories in your life

So what is mature faith: **advancing steadily toward the completeness and perfection that belong to spiritual maturity.**

I want to show you something: Mamertine video

This is the Mamertine Prison in Ancient Rome

This is where the apostles Peter and Paul were imprisoned

Paul wrote 4 books of the Bible: Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians Philemon

Now I am thankful for a maturing faith

- A life saving faith
- A faith that doesn't compromise on the Word of God
- A faith that could help others achieve freedom in their lives
- I could look back on my faith

But when I walked into that prison

- Dark, depressing, dingy damp
- And I think back at the book of Ephesians
- One of the most important books in Christian History
- Paul teaches us how to be strong in the Lord
- **Win the battle of the mind**
- By the positioned gained from your salvation in Christ

It makes me want to strive higher for that kind of faith!

- It makes me understand I've still got a long way to go
- Paul can write over 2000 years ago and is still impacting today

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ,”

Ephesians 1:3 NKJV

- What did Paul call himself in prison? Blessed!
- Blessed because he was in Christ
- Paul never saw himself in prison but in Christ

“For this reason **I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus** for you Gentiles—”

Ephesians 3:1 NKJV

“I, therefore, the **prisoner of the Lord**, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called,”

Ephesians 4:1 NKJV

“and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an **ambassador in chains**; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.”

Ephesians 6:19-20 NKJV

- Do you want to be prisoner of your circumstance?
- A prisoner of your enemy?
- No matter what is coming against you brother you are always an ambassador of heaven, a prisoner for Jesus Christ
- Paul wasn't subject to the dictates of Rome his steps were ordered of the Lord
- And you can stand victoriously in any situation

How?

“and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.”

Ephesians 4:23-24 NKJV

- Why doesn't Paul explain what it means to be renewed in the spirit of your mind

- Because when you get the perspective of where he was at when he wrote this letter then you will understand that he was showing by example
- We are reading the words he was speaking to himself and to us
- The entire book of Ephesians was Paul releasing the words that were edifying himself in his circumstance
- He was fighting the good fight of faith
- Every word was measured through the filter of faith

He was with God fighting from God

“Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us,”

Ephesians 3:20 NKJV

Ephesians 6:4 above all taking on the shield of faith

- Above every piece of the armor of God
- The revelation of helmet of salvation that guards your mind where the battle is
- Renewing the spirit of his mind by speaking out what we read in Ephesians about what happened when we got saved - many times
- The Bible is not a book of writings it's a book of sayings!
- This is not the written word spoken - but the spoken word written

Paul was fighting the good fight of faith by the power of his words

- We should never read the book of Ephesians the same way

Questions:

1. What are some of the circumstances in our lives that could become prisons in our minds?
2. How does the power of our words with the Word of God change our perspective and helps us be victorious in every situation?
3. STOP-DROP-PRAY for each other to be renewed in the spirit of your minds.