

# COMBAT FAITH-6

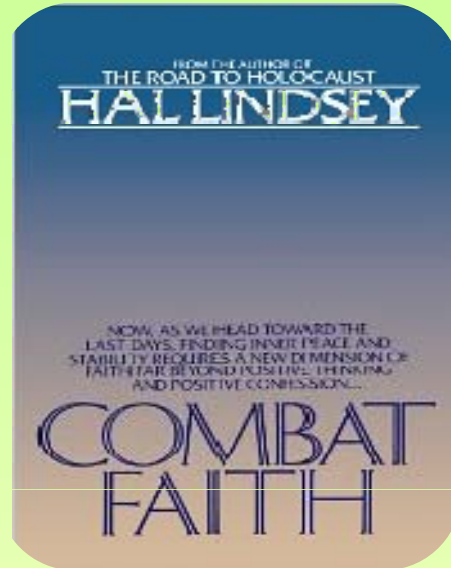
*Faith*

is not believing that God can,  
it's knowing that He will



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# **Numbers 13:28-29**

***28 But the people who live there are powerful, and the cities are fortified and very large. We even saw descendants of Anak there.***

***29 The Amalekites live in the Negev; the Hittites, Jebusites and Amorites live in the hill country; and the Canaanites live near the sea and along the Jordan."***

# Review

- You see, I am convinced that the size of the problems you face will determine the size of the blessing you will receive.
- The strong man does not guard a house where there is no treasure. The strong man only guards the house where there is something valuable.
- The reason the devil is throwing everything at you to include the kitchen sink is because he knows that you are about to walk into something that is more valuable than anything you have ever witnessed before.



# The Minority Report, Part 2

- It takes great courage, which only a seasoned combat faith could give, for the “Valiant Two” to stand forth before that panicked mob and challenge their unbelief.
- If you have not learned it already, people who are not believing God tend to hate someone who is believing Him.
- Even for someone as great as Moses, this kind of unbelief was too much. Numbers 14:5: ***Then Moses and Aaron fell facedown in front of the whole Israelite assembly gathered there.***
- This was not unbelief on their part. They were overcome by grief and were interceding for the people so the LORD would not wipe them out.



# Do Not Be Afraid...

- Listen to this inspiring display of combat faith by the Valiant Two:
  - Numbers 14:6-9: ***Joshua son of Nun and Caleb son of Jephunneh, who were among those who had explored the land, tore their clothes and said to the entire Israelite assembly, “The land we passed through and explored is exceedingly good. If the Lord is pleased with us, he will lead us into that land, a land flowing with milk and honey, and will give it to us. Only do not rebel against the Lord. And do not be afraid of the people of the land, because we will swallow them up. Their protection is gone, but the Lord is with us. Do not be afraid of them.”***



# Intervention

- How did this unbelieving group of God's kids receive this demonstration of faith?
- Numbers 14:10: ***But the whole assembly talked about stoning them. Then the glory of the Lord appeared at the Tent of Meeting to all the Israelites.***
- If the LORD had not intervened, Moses, Aaron, Joshua, and Caleb would have soon been under a pile of rocks. But you know the LORD will never let down His children who are believing and standing on His promises.



# Shout Through It...!

- You want to know how big the blessing is that is waiting on you . . . . Look at how big the opposition is that is trying to stop you . . . . You want to know how big the opportunity is, look at how big the opposition is; because the size of your burden is evidence of the size of your blessing.
- The question becomes, “Pastor, how do I get through it ?”
- Here comes the answer: SHOUT through it. You see, the shout is not about what you are going through. The shout is about what you are going *to*. . . . You see, what you are going through is the indication of the size of the blessing waiting on you. All you got to do is just make it through this season.
- Tell your neighbor, “My mind is made up. . . . I am going to stick it out.” “Satan will not turn me around.”



# Help My Unbelief...

- *Watch Caleb. . . .* Caleb said, “Come on. Let’s get it done. We are well able. We got the power and the capacity to succeed.”
- Caleb is really calling the people to increase their faith in God’s promise rather than look at their circumstances. We must understand that spiritual advancement requires faith and unbelief will never see beyond the problem.
- Unbelief sees walled cities and giants rather than the presence and the power of God. Unbelief looks at the problem. . . . Faith looks at God.
- Caleb saw the same walled city . . . the same giants . . .; but his words declared victory. “We are well able to do this. . . .” *Don’t miss this. . . .* Faith is not blind. Faith does not deny the reality of difficulty. Faith is informed expectation it declares the power of God in the face of the problem.



# I Am Not Who I Was...

- Caleb said, “We can do this. . . . We can handle our business. . . . We are not just able . . . ;” but look at the adjective he throws in: “We are **WELL** able.” *Watch this. . . . Here comes the shout. . . .* We are well able because we are not who we were when we started this journey. It has been rough; but we have grown. . . . We have matured. . . . We can take more than we used to take. . . . We heal faster than we used to heal. . . . We are not the same folk we were when we started the journey.
- Tell your neighbor, “I am not who I was when I started the journey. When I started, I was scared. When I started, I was weak. When I started, I was bound. . . . When I started, I was insecure. . . . When I started, I was addicted. . . . When I started, I was co-dependent. . . . When I started, I was mean. . . . When I started, I was evil. . . . When I started, I was angry . . . but through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come. . . . I am not who I was.

## Spiritual Growth Diamond



# Stop Acting...

- You see, only the people who have been through some stuff know what I am preaching about now. Only the folk who remember the crazy things you used to do. . . . Only the folk who remember what you have been through know what I am teaching about now. You got to go through some stuff to make this statement: “I am not who I was.”
- *Can I push this?* Somebody in the house can look back and remember when God found you in your “Egypt” . You were jacked up. You were messed up. You were weak. You were broken. You were just a hot mess . . . but can I remind somebody: **You are NOT who you were . . . when you started the journey.**
- Now, if you are not who you were then, stop talking like you are who you were. . . . If you are not who you were, stop thinking like you are. . . . Stop acting like you are still where you were when God found you.



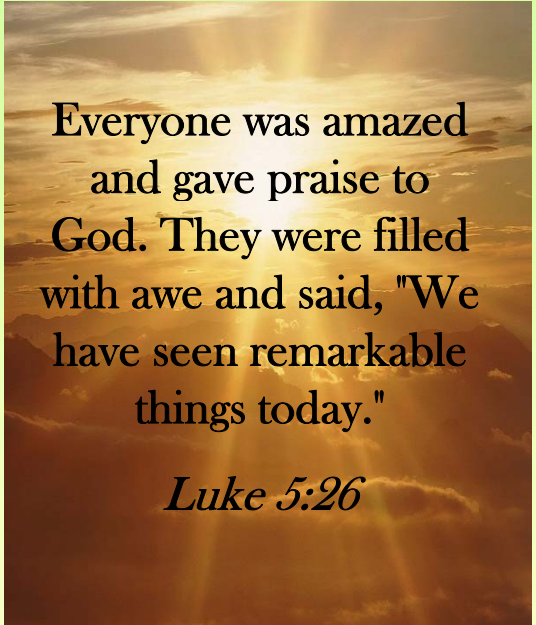
# Celebrate Progress...

- Start talking like you are a possessor and speak with authority. Tell your neighbor, “Neighbor, you should have seen me when I started this journey.”
- Now, tell your other neighbor, “Neighbor, you should have seen me when I started this journey.”
- Tell yourself, “I am so glad that I am not who I was when I started. There was a day when I would have been scared of those giants. There was a day when I would have been scared of those walls. There was a day when I would have been the one making the evil report but after all God has done for me . . . after all I have seen, I got to celebrate my growth. I got to celebrate my progress. . . . I am not who I was! Give the Lord some praise!!!!



# We Are Well Able....!

- Flashback to where you were. . . . Look at where you are. Tell the Lord, we can do this. Tell Him like you mean it. . . . Tell the Lord, “We are well able . . . .”
  - We can get the new members for the Credit Union
  - We can make the make the Resource Center, Lamar Medical Center, and 30901DC (the non-profit entities) self-sufficient
  - We can build the senior adult day care
  - We can build the business district
  - We can make Kingdom Kids reach capacity
  - We can make Kingdom Kids Development Center K-5 through 12<sup>th</sup> Grades
- We are well-able . . . because we are not who we used to be when we started this journey.
- There was a day when the enemy could have stopped me but now we are well able. . . . Well able. . . . Well able.



Everyone was amazed and gave praise to God. They were filled with awe and said, "We have seen remarkable things today."

*Luke 5:26*

# I Am Ready For My Canaan!

- Raise your hands and tell yourself, “Lord, I am ready for my Canaan.... I will let nothing stand in my way. . . . No more delays.”
- I don’t know who I am talking to this afternoon, but it is your time. . . . It is your time for your breakthrough. . . . It is your time for your harvest. . . . It is your time for your healing. . . . It is your time for your deliverance. . . . It is your time to open up your business . . . . It is your time to buy your own home. . . . It is your time to go back to school . . . and don’t you let the devil put fear in you . . . because if you don’t do it now . . ., when you come back, it is going to be harder.

