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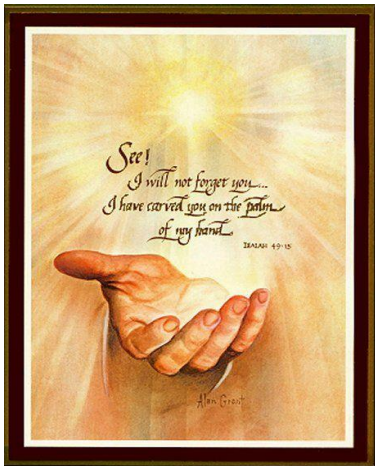
“And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ancle bones received strength.”
Acts 3:7

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From the desk of Superintendent Tyrone Scafe

“You Have What It Takes!”

Once again, it’s a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord for His amazing grace. He has sustained us again and again and we thank Him for the many blessings. The more I think about His goodness, I am reminded that, “He will never leave us nor forsake us.”

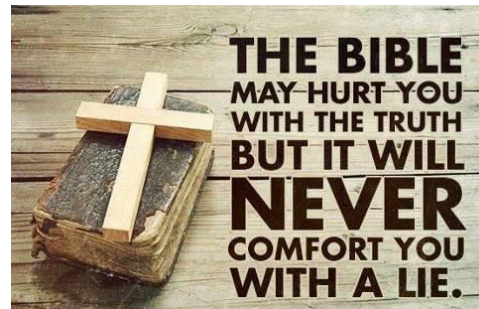


Additionally, I am believing God and I know that He is still answering the prayers that you have petitioned for. The message for this week is entitled,

“You Have What It Takes!” Make no doubt about it, God has given you His authority. You are winning because you have Christ that dwells on the inside and it’s the Holy Spirit that lead and guide your every footstep. Today, I want to encourage you as you thrust into the position that God has called you to do. Win your family to Christ. We cannot afford to sit back and have church as usual.

We must go into the hedges and highways and catapult them to Christ. *“I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice” Ezekiel 34:16.*

Acts chapter 3 is an account of a disabled beggar who Peter and John met one day outside the temple in Jerusalem. This beggar was a hurting man. He had sat near the temple every day of his life and no one really noticed him sitting there. To me this crippled beggar represented that more work needed to be done. We are living in a time of famine, people have lost jobs, many are afflicted with sickness and disease and



we as a church should constantly connect with those who are in need. All you may

have is a prayer to offer. Some may have exactly what is needed to accommodate but in all these things we are more than conquerors through Christ Jesus. From this narrative, I think we can learn some valuable lessons about how to minister to those people around our community who are hurting like this beggar. You see, Peter did something that each of ou can do as a believer, He took him by the right hand, and helped him up. When you stretch your hand outward, that is an invitation for the receiver to except what is given. The beggar in the passage was in need of money, but Peter did not have that for him. Peter had something more rewarding than money, silver or some other type of materialistic value. Peter trusted the Word and authority that was given to him by Jesus Christ. In other words, he

had healing power. Peter healed this man in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. You may be sitting back saying well how does that affect me. The same authority that Peter had, you also have. You have the ability to decree and declare “**by the authority and the power of Jesus Christ!**” God does not have any respect of person that He uses. Just like he used Peter, He will use you also. Don’t be afraid to let God use you, because, “*You Have What It Takes!*” Like Peter and John, you cannot be afraid of reaching the lost. I am sure if you keep these three points, you will be doing what is the requirement of the God given charge to every believer.

- ❖ **Go into the community and find the lost**
- ❖ **Be perceptive and respond to hurting people**
- ❖ **Be willing to touch the unwanted**

THE MECHANICS OF FAITH

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FAITH VERSUS HOPE

Submitted by Dr. Timothy T. Johnson

Hebrews 11:6 states, But without faith it is impossible to please him: Faith is the cornerstone to the successful life of a Christian. A Christian cannot be effective at anything without faith. In Hebrews 11:1, the writer gives a great definition of faith; Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. There are two words that requires attention in this verse, faith and hope. Let us take a closer look at Faith and Hope.

While both are nouns, faith is always spoken in the present tense. Hope is spoken in the future tense. Hope is based upon uncertainty. Hope is unsure of one’s circumstances. Hope is anticipation.

Conversely, faith is trust. When we trust in God, we always trust in God. There should not be a time when we do not trust in God. Faith is a substance, something that is already here; hope is an expectation, something that of necessity looks toward the future.ⁱ

They differ as touching their object, that is, the special matter whereunto they look. Faith has for her object the truth, teaching us to cleave surely thereto, and looking upon the word and promise of the thing that is promised; hope has for her object the goodness of God, and looks upon the thing which is promised in the word, that is, upon such matters as faith teaches us to hope for.ⁱⁱ

Many have argued the use of the word now to start verse 1, but its placement lends to the understanding of the verse. Now Faith. Meaning that the expectation of what is being petitioned, can happen now. Your healing is now. Your deliverance is now. When faith is expected to happen later, it is Hope.

Even though hope is not dangerous, it does not please God. The Hebrew word for hope, *tiqvah*, means something we hold onto. Hope is used when one is not sure whether something will happen or not, but one wants it to happen. Hope does not have an expectation that something will happen now. When a Christian says that he or she believe God will do this at some point, he/she is operating in hope. Hope is expecting something will happen down the line, in the future.

Mark 11:24 states that when we believe we shall receive. Faith stands firm that we can receive it now. It does not matter if it happens next year, but faith says it will happen now. The principles of faith are multifaceted and multifunctional. They can be applied in any area of our life whether finances, healing or deliverance. What God is simply telling us is that faith is laying hold of the unseen realm of hope and bringing it into the realm of reality.ⁱⁱⁱ

As we go through this difficult patch in our Church and Societal histories, let us remember: Hope is the soil in which we plant our faith.

FORWARD
in faith

In my closing of this week's letter, I want you to remember "Reaching the Community, Changes Lives!" Continue trusting in his word and remember His Word which is penned in Psalm 107:1, "O Give thanks unto the LORD, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever." Remain pressing forward and have a beautiful and wonderful week. If you have not done so already, I am requesting that you join our Facebook page and stay connected [Temple Of Praise Church Of God In Christ](#) because we are better together as we contend to the faith!

Your servant Leader, I AM,

Superintendent Tyrone D. Scafe Sr.

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Special Announcement:

- Every Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm. Meet me for bible study on our conference line. (267)807-9601 access code: 644524
- Meet me as we celebrate the Pastor Theodore Cutler on Sunday, October 27th. Flyer information listed below.



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