Faith, Hope, and Love

1 Corinthians 13:13 KJV And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity (or love in action).

God acts in love for us when we exercise faith and hope; in other words, all of God's powerful actions of love that He gives us come as a result of our faith and hope. We must understand that He is obligated to do what He has promised us in the Bible, but it is activated when we use faith and hope in those promises coming to past.

There are spiritual laws that govern the spiritual world; just like there are natural laws that govern the earth we live on. The law of gravity holds things to the earth until other laws supersede it. Planes take off and fly everyday, because man learned how to use other laws of nature, such as the laws of thrust and lift, to supersede the law of gravity. When the engines of a plane pushes it down the runway to a high enough speed, the wings being designed with specific angles will produce lift, and the plane will fly.

It took thousands of years for man to figure out how to build planes that fly. Well mankind in these last days are learning how to operate the spiritual laws that God has created, and they are experiencing God's power to give mankind abilities far beyond human power. Before Jesus comes back, we will see the Church doing all of the things Jesus did while He was on the earth.

John 14:12 KJV Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

Now let's get back to faith and hope. **Hebrews 11:1 AMP** NOW FAITH is the assurance (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things we hope for, being the proof of things we do not see and the conviction of their reality faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses.

In this verse we can see that faith is not the same thing as hope. So many people think they are in faith when they are only in hope. Faith is not hope; they are two different characteristics of God.

The thermostat on the wall of the house controls the AC unit. The thermostat speaks to the AC unit, and tells it to keep on working until the desired temperature of the thermostat is reached. Faith is the AC unit, and hope is the thermostat. We Christians must understand that we cannot hope ourselves to be well and blessed. It is hope that turns on the faith to bring the blessing to pass. The Word of God feeds both hope and faith. God's love gifts are coming our way as we keep faith and hope alive by feeding them. They are fed only by the Word of God. If you put down the Word and fail to study, you are putting down faith and hope; and you'll have no reason to expect to receive God's love gifts.

We love you, Pastor Paul and LeJeune

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*This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday Isaiah chapter 28
Tuesday Isaiah chapter 29
Wednesday Isaiah chapter 30
Thursday Isaiah chapter 31
Friday Isaiah chapter 32
Saturday Isaiah chapter 33
Sunday Isaiah chapter 34

*Upcoming Events

- 1. **Baptisms:** Sunday at end of Services
- 2. Singles Eating at: Nami's
- 3. Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon-Fri 9:30-10:30am in the Gym
- 4. Faith Fellowship Meetings: Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays 7pmin the Mall Chapel
- 5. **Mobile Prayer:** Fridays 1:30-3pm in Sam's Warehouse Parking Lot
- 6. Friday Night Prayer: 7pm in Mall Chapel
- 7. Men's Friday Night Basketball: 7pm in Gym
- 8. **Door to Door Witnessing:** 9:30 each Saturday. Meet on Lee Blvd side of Church house
- 9. **'Embrace Hope' Event:** Saturday, March 14. 9am 3pm at 11th and Lee (old Gibson's Building) Offering help and some free services in medical, dental, spiritual needs of the people in SW Oklahoma

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- ** Here is a list of the many gatherings we have for you to get together and fellowship with your brothers

and sisters. Please take advantage of them, and you will bless yourself and others also.

Sundays Prayer: <u>9am</u> Lee side entrance Fellowship in Café 9:15-9:45 am.

Services 10:45 am

Adult, Youth, and Children classes 9:45-10:30 am

Faith Class: -----Michael Whitley

Financial Class: -----Terry Boyd Foundation 1 Class: ---Pastor Paul Foundation 2 Class: ---Mike Wiggins

Healing Class: ------Lester/Monica Witherspoon Marriage Class:------Danny/Demetrius Williams

Prayer Class: -----Joe Cunningham

Children's Sunday School: 6 months - 5th grade Youth Services: -----Lucas/Cyndi Moore

Young Singles/College & Career —Eliav/Kim Nash

Daily * Early Morning Prayer in Sanctuary: Monday-Friday6:15-7:15am

* Noonday Bible Study: Mon-Friday in Chapel on Lee Blvd side of

Church

Weekly * Adult, Youth & Children Services: Wednesday night 7pm

* Faith Fellowship Meeting: Each Mon, Tue, & Thur 7-8pm in Mall

Chapel

* Friday Night Prayer: 7-8pm in Mall Chapel * Men's Friday Night Basketball: Friday 7pm in Gym

* Door to Door Witnessing: 9:30am every Saturday

Monthly * Men's Meeting: 9am 1st Saturday of each month at Golden

Corral

* Crosses at the Corner: 12-1pm 1st Saturday at corner of Sheridan

and Cache Rd.

* Women's Meeting: <u>9am</u> 2nd Saturday of each month

* Horse Ministry: 10am-1pm 3rd Saturday of each month