Manifesting God's Promises - But How ?

II Corinthians 4:7, "But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us."

God in His Word. You believe God keeps His Word? Every word Jesus said was a Seed. When you get a little orange tree, you put a little seed in the ground, and it breaks forth into a little tree. And you take that little tree at one inch tall, and can set it out. Do you know that every orange that you'll ever pick off of that tree is in it right then? Certainly it is. If it isn't, where does it come from? Just think; there's hundreds of bushels of oranges in a little slip about that big of an orange tree, hundreds of bushels of oranges, bushels of blossoms, bushels and bushels of leaves. If it doesn't, where does it come from?

Now, that little tree's just like you (*Psalm 1:1-3*). After you've accepted Christ in the little baby form, then we are planted together in Christ (*I Cor. 12:13*). Now, the only thing this little tree does, you just have to pour the water to it, and it starts drinking (*Isaiah 44:3*). And when it drinks its allotted portion, it's got to drink more than that. It has to drink so much until it starts pushing out limbs. Then it just keeps on drinking until it pushes out leaves. Then it just keeps on drinking till it pushes out blossoms. Then it just keeps on drinking until it pushes out oranges. It's all the time drinking, drinking, drinking, drinking, drinking, drinking, drinking.

And as the tree drinks, it begins to push out its leaves, its buds, pushes out its fruit each year. The fruit's not in the ground; the fruit is in the plant. How many understand that, say "amen." So see, the fruit is in the plant, and every plant has to drink from his fountain. As the rain comes down, gives that plant life to drink from. **And as it drinks, it grows.** And it's growing up until it comes to the full bud, just like the church has, to bloom out in this age. And as we drink, we grow. But if the plant refuses to drink, then the plant cannot grow. And if you'll just believe it... [2]

And that's you. When we are planted together in Christ **the only thing we** have to do is drink from His promise, and push out. Everything that you have need of is in you when you receive Christ, 'cause Christ is in you (Col. 1:26-27). And you just have to drink from His Word, His Life, and push out. Oh, yes. I believe Him to be the Water that comes upon us (John 4:14). He's the Life. I believe He's the inexhaustible Fountain of Life (Psalm 36:9), that we just planted in Him and push out. [1]

And Christ died for you, and you are transplanted from the world into Christ (*Gal. 1:4; Eph. 2:6*). And everything you have need of is right in you by the baptism of the Holy Ghost (*Col. 2:9-10*). Isn't that right? Now, the only thing you have to do is just start drinking from That. [2]

And when we become borned again servants of God, the Seed of God planted in our heart (*I John 3:9*), we just keep drinking, drinking, and pushing

out. Everything that you have need of in this earth's journey is in you when you receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost (II Peter 1:3). The only thing you have to do is draw and push out. All the healing you ever need, all the rejoicing you'll ever need, all the power you ever need, everything that you got need of is in you when you've got Christ in you. But the only thing you have to do is keep drinking, drinking.

The people don't get thirsty enough. The Bible said, "Blessed are you when you do hunger and thirst after righteousness" (Matt. 5:6). When you're thirsty, you can drink. And the more you drink, the more you can spread out. The more grace you get, the more power you have, the more faith you have as you keep drinking from Christ Who is the inexhaustible fountain of life, drinking, the Seed form. [1]

And it'll produce just exactly what the seed is. If it's a promise, God promised to do it. God's obligated to it, and He will do it. [3]

If you can't believe... "Well, I believe that Jesus saves me." (Mark 16:16). That's good. Then how about the Holy Ghost? Believe He'd give you the Holy Ghost; He promised it to you (John 7:37-39). About Divine healing, believe it; He promised it to you (I Peter 2:24). Every redemptive blessing belongs to you; just drink, and drink, and push out. That's all. Everything you have need of is right in you.

When you receive the Holy Ghost, everything you've got need of between here and glory is right in you then. It ain't faith that you need. **You've got faith**, **if you got the Holy Spirit**, **for He is your faith** (*II Cor. 4:13*). **But the thing you have to know, is know how to use that faith.** See what I mean? And if you'll just understand how to use it, you'll see the exceedingly, abundantly above all that you could do, or think of the Lord (*John 10:10*). [4]

I tell you what's the matter with the Christian today: **you're not drawing dividends on your baptism of the Holy Ghost.** Draw in and drink, and drink, and drink, and drink till you push out salvation, push out Divine healing, push out the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Just drink, drink, drink. And you're planted by the inexhaustible fountain of Life, which is Jesus Christ. He that's thirsty let him drink, him that heareth, say, "Come. Whosoever will let him come and drink from the fountains of the water of Life freely" (*Rev. 22:17*). Amen. What a beautiful thought of Him there. God in His Word. God's got to keep His Word. [5]

And all he has to do is drink and drink and push out, and drink till every fruit of the Spirit, every gift of the Spirit, everything that's in Christ Jesus belongs to you will be in you for the entire journey. [6]

Don't just stop when you join church and are baptized; just keep drinking till you have faith for this, and faith for that, and faith for this, and push out until all the manifestations of the Holy Spirit is living in the church. [7]

And that's the way a Christian is. When you're planted in Christ (*I Cor. 1:30*), the only thing you have to do is go to drinking. It gets its vitamin out of water. And the Christian gets his vitamin from the Word. Then you drink,

drink more, and spread out, push out. Push out salvation. **Push out through the Holy Spirit.** Push out, till that crippled arm comes straight. Just keeps drinking. Drink. Planted by the inexhaustible Fountain of Life (*Psalm 1*). **Jesus Christ is the inexhaustible Fountain of Life** (*Psalm 36:8-9*). Drink till you can't drink no more. Drink until you become drunk, that you forget all your theology and believe God. And drink till your well. And then just keep on drinking. Amen. God lives. [8]

And if you're planted in Him, the only thing you have to do, is drink of His goodness and push out whatever you have need of in this earth's journey. It's all drinking, resting, peace.

It's not what *you* struggle and strive and pull at, you defeat the very purpose that you're representing when you do that. Christianity is not something, God's not One you have to beg, and cry, and plead, and fast, and starve, and everything like that to get to. Certainly not. [9]

God's Word is a seed. God is in His Word. Look at Him when He makes His Word manifest, His promises of what He would do. Look at a hundred and twenty people taking God's Word, went up to the day of Pentecost, and waited until that commission, "Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem until you're endued with power from on high" (Luke 24:49). God's Word sunk into their hearts and they waited there. What were they doing? Just setting around saying, "Well, I'll see what'll happen." You can't water it that way. If you say, "Well, yes, I believe in Divine healing. Oh, sure, it's in the Bible." That's not the way to get healed. You might have the seed, but you got to water it. Now, the Bible said, "When they were in the upper room, they were blessing, and thanking, and praising God" (Luke 24:53). Why? Praising Him because they knew it was coming, for they had the Seed in their heart, God's promise. [1] They were in the upper room what? Praising and blessing God. What for? The promise; they knowed it had to come. There you are; get in action. Go to praising God till the promise is fulfilled. You've got the promise. [10]

Right if it can ever **settle in your heart**, you in the wheelchair, you in the cots, you out there with heart trouble, cancer, you in radio land, in hospitals, wherever you may be, **if you can receive God's Word in your heart and water it with praises and thanks to God for giving It to you, it'll grow into a tree of whatever the seed represents. Healing, salvation, whatever it's for, that tree will blossom.**

But you've got to drink. You've got to water it, feed it, and let it grow. And more you trust in God... If you're in a wheelchair, and in the hospital, and you're so paralyzed you can't even move but one finger, just keep moving that one finger to the glory of God. Tomorrow you'll move your hand. The next day you'll move your arm. And you'll be moving on pretty soon if you'll just keep watering it, pushing out, growing, getting bigger and bigger. Take God's Word. It's a Seed. Certainly, It's a Seed.

God gave Abraham a promise as we've been studying. And Abraham let that seed get into his heart, the promise, and kept watering it with praises and thanksgiving to God for the child, and waited twenty-five years. But the tree (the promise) came forth just the same, because **he watered it with faith** (Rom. 4:19-22). [1]

The Holy Spirit feeds on the Word. The Bible is God's spiritual diet for His church. And the Holy Spirit is the One Who brings It to you and places It in the heart; **and with thanksgiving you water It.** And every Divine promise will produce just exactly what God said it would do. It's got to. It's His Word, and It's Life (*John 6:63*). [11]

"If you could believe that it would happen..." If you can't believe it, it just won't happen. Now, I can't make you believe; neither can you make yourself believe. God's got to give it to you. It's a gift of God to believe (*Eph. 2:8-9*). Not your faith, **God's faith** (*Gal. 2:19-21*). Your intellectual faith might believe it fine, **but unless the faith of God is down in your heart...** (*Rom. 10:8-10*). See, your intellectual faith can accept it; **do that and just keep believing it with all your heart until God does reveal it to you.** Just keep believing it until God does reveal it (*I Peter 1:13*). [12]

All the Word that God has spoken, It must be fulfilled. God cannot say anything without having it fulfilled. When He has spoken It, it is a finished work. It's already finished when God speaks It. God never speaks until He's ready for it to be; and, when He speaks, it's just as well as already happened. Now, if that wouldn't give us a basis to put our faith on. When God speaks a Word, it's already finished. And what about His promises that He's given to us? Everything that He has said, it's already a finished work. So therefore, when we receive His Word into our heart, it's already done, it's completed. [13]

Notice, Rebekah, when the servant of Abraham, Eliezer, when he came to get Rebekah, he mounted her up on a camel, the very camel she watered. And she rode this camel to meet her unseen bridegroom. The very thing she watered was the thing that took her to her future home and husband (Gen. 24:10-27,61-67).

And it's the same thing today. The very thing that the Church is watering, that is the Seed, the Seed of the Word; it's the very Word that becomes alive and carries us to our unseen Bridegroom. [14]

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