I JOHN 5:4

» 4 † For whatsoever is born of God <u>overcometh</u> the world: and this <u>is the <u>VICTRORY</u> that <u>overcometh</u> the world, even our <u>FAITH</u>.</u>

56-1004 WITNESSES CHICAGO.IL THURSDAY « E-54 †

That's what I'm trying to get the people to believe, regardless of anything. Believe it anyhow. FAITH is the VICTRORY.

FAITH IS A REVELATION

65-0725M THE.ANOINTED.ONES.AT.THE.END.TIME_ JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-5 N-3 SUNDAY_

What is <u>FAITH</u>? <u>FAITH</u> is something that's <u>revealed</u> to you; that is not yet, but you believe it will be. <u>FAITH</u> is a <u>REVELATION</u> of the <u>will of God</u>. So, by <u>REVELATION</u>!

65-1125 THE.INVISIBLE.UNION.OF.THE.BRIDE.OF.CHRIST_ SHREVEPORT.LA V-2 N-15 THURSDAY_

161 "Abel, by **FAITH**, offered by **REVELATION** (**FAITH**), offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than that of Cain."

65-1126 WORKS.IS. FAITH. EXPRESSED_ SHREVEPORT.LA V-7 N-1 FRIDAY_

« 105 † Now, <u>FAITH</u> is "a <u>REVELATION</u> from God." Now, <u>FAITH</u> is a <u>REVELATION</u>. There's where I want to stay, there, just a moment. It's a <u>REVELATION</u>. He has <u>revealed</u> it to you by <u>His grace</u>. It's nothing you did. <u>You didn't work yourself up into <u>FAITH</u>. You ever have <u>FAITH</u>, it's give to you by the grace of God. And God <u>reveals</u> it to you, therefore <u>FAITH</u> is a <u>REVELATION</u>. And the whole Church of God is built upon the <u>REVELATION</u>.</u>

HEBREWS 11:1 - 6

- » 1 † ¶ Now FAITH is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.
- » 2 † For by it the elders obtained a good report.
- » 3 † Through **FAITH** we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.
- » 4 † ¶ By **FAITH** Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh.
- » 5 † By **FAITH** Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.
- » 6 † But without **FAITH** it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

<u>substance</u>: that which has actual existence; real being. (Greek Lexicon)

hope: trust, reliance. desire accompanied by expectation of fulfillment; one that gives promise for the future. (Webster) **evidence**: outward sign, proof, testimony. (Webster)

47-0412 FAITH.IS.THE.SUBSTANCE_ OAKLAND.CA SATURDAY_

« E-19 † Now, some--many people come through the line, and they say, "Oh, I have <u>FAITH</u> to be healed."

And, friends, when they pass by, I know they haven't enough <u>FAITH</u> to cure a toothache. That's right. And some of them coming through with cancer, and say, "I have <u>FAITH</u> to be healed," they do not have <u>FAITH</u>.

My Scripture lesson tonight said, "<u>FAITH</u> is the <u>substance</u> of things <u>hoped</u> for, the <u>evidence</u> of things not seen." See, it's a <u>substance</u>. It's something direct, something that you really have, not something that you imagine, something that you think you have; but it's some direct positive act that you have. You see what I mean?

MATTHEW 17:19 - 21

- » 19 † Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out?
- » 20 † And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have **FAITH** as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.
- » 21 † Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by <u>prayer</u> and <u>fasting</u>.

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« E-34 † So then this girl, she said, "Oh, I believe, I believe, Brother Branham." Well, she thought she believed. Now, look, she had hope. But faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. You see what I mean?

Now, I said, "Sister, an ordinary case," I said, "I could have a little time and let you have time, maybe to take about that much faith and go out with it. But you've got to have immediate attention, right now. For I'm going to be honest with you. You'll not live to see the hospital."

Now, the parents didn't appreciate that very much at that time. But I'd rather be honest with you, let you know the truth... Wouldn't you rather I'll be honest with you? And remember, friends, I'm not wrestling with flesh and blood; it's spiritual power. I must be honest before Almighty God. See? And because I realize the danger of my own life, and not only mine, but yours. And so she said she would--she believed, but she did not.

"Well," I said, "now, look." Now, I want you to notice this, and I want you to be real careful now and take up every word so you can divide it, of a little something that God permitted there. And I'll--I'll see if you've got faith. I said, "Sister, you do not have faith."

She said, "Oh, Reverend Branham, I have faith to believe anything."

- « E-35 † [End of record--Ed.]... If you have faith, I want to ask you and show you, rather, that--that you do not have faith. Now, listen and catch every word of it. Hanging in the room from a chandelier was a string, and on the end of that string was a little bracelet, and it had... It was a white bracelet with little red sets in it where a child probably been playing with it, you know, swinging it in the room. Maybe some of you have your own babies to be pacified that way, swinging something around like that to play with it, to amuse them.
- « E-36 † And I seen that little bracelet hanging down. It was... I said to the young lady; I said, "How far are you away from that bracelet?"

She said, "Prob--approximately fifteen feet."

I said, "Now, all you other adults here, all you people, just turn your back right around to me." I said, "Now, there's nothing going to be done to hurt anyone. I just got to speak to this girl, because she's got to catch the idea now." And that's the reason I'm getting into these things with you tonight. We got two more nights, and something's got to be done. You see? Now, I don't want you to go away and say anything wrong about this, because you might have to answer at judgment for it. And so I said, "Something has to be done immediately." And I said, "Now, you parents, you just turn your back."

And some of the neighbors was setting up with her, and they all turned their backs to me and turned their chairs around. I said to the young lady; I said, "Now, you tell me you've got faith to believe for all things."

She said, "I have, sir."

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I said, "How long has it been since you've eaten?"

And she said, "About three days," said, "I can't even keep water on my stomach." And you know what appendix is and fever on her also.

« E-37 † And I said, "Now, if you believe with all your heart, and you prove to me now that you've got faith...

Now, you look right directly at that bracelet," and it hanging there in mid-air, "and you make that bracelet swing around and around in the room. Then you make it swing back and forth in the room, and then stop it, and I'll believe you have faith."

She said, "Oh, Brother Branham," said, "my, why ask me something like that?"

I said, "I wanted to see if you had faith." I said, "Jesus said, 'All things are possible if you believe."

« E-38 † Now, that's just pure faith, friends. Magicians use it many times to play pranks and so forth, burst glasses and things. It will, if you believe. But I'm trying to base your--the thought on faith so you know what I'm talking of. And I

want you to set still now so you'll catch this. Wake yourself up, so when I get through with it you'll know what it's all about.

« E-39 † Then she said, "Why, Brother Branham, no one could do that."

I said, "Oh, yes, anyone can that believes."

And she said, "Well, I don't believe that anyone could do that."

I said, "I thought you said you believed for all things." See how she was caught right there. I said, "You said you believed all things. I want you to prove it."

And she said, "I don't believe there's anyone can do that; that's material, Brother Branham." She said, "Could you do it?" I said, "Yes, ma'am."

And she said, "Well, could I see it done?"

I said, "If you desire."

And she said, "I desire."

« E-42 † Now, then of course, fastening my eyes to that bracelet, which you can yourself, if you won't doubt it in your heart, and it started moving around. And then it moved back and forth, around, crossways, and stopped it. She said, "Brother Branham," she said, "that's spiritualism."

I said, "I--I thought maybe you'd say something like that."

My, isn't it strange how people that profess they know God, and know so little about Him. Isn't that right? She said, "You know, we belong to the Church of Christ." Excuse me, I didn't mean to say that. Excuse me, Church of Christ people, I didn't mean to say that. See? Anyhow, said, "We speak where the Bible speaks and silent where the Bible's silent."

You know, you have that slogan. I've questioned that a few times.

I said, "All right."

She said, "There's no such a thing can be showed in the Bible of anything like that."

I said, "I--I thought that's what you would say." I said, "Sure, that's in the Bible."

And she said, "Well, I never... I don't believe it."

"All right," I said, "You don't believe it?"

She said, "No, you show me where that's at in the Bible."

« E-43 † I said, "One day Jesus passed by a tree, He wanted to find some fruit on it. There was no fruit on it. He put a curse on it, and the tree begin to wilt. And when they passed by at noon the tree was wilting down. Peter remarked and said how quick the tree was wilted. He said, 'If you would say in your heart for this tree to be plucked up and cast into the sea and wouldn't doubt it, it would obey you.'" Did He say it? And I said, "He said, 'If you'd say to this mountain, 'Be moved,' and doubt it not in your heart, by and by it would come to pass.'" Did He say it? Sure He did. I said, "I know your unbelieving pastor, trying to justify his unbelief, said that was a mountain of sin. I--I went to school myself. He was kneeling by Mount Olives. It was Mount of Olives. If you'd say in your heart for it to be moved and don't doubt it..." I said, "How much more faith?"

And He said, "If you had faith, size of a mustard seed..."

I said, "Now, if the faith the size of a mustard seed would move that mountain, how much more smaller faith would you have to have just to move that bracelet?"

- « E-20 † When you come to Him, don't come as a <u>floater</u>. "I'll go up and try it and see if it works." You'll never get nowhere, but when you come with this kind of a determination, that you have sold out lot, stock, and barrel... When you're tired of the world, and sin, and unbelief, and flusterations and doubts, and come to the living God with a anchor surely tightened in the Rock of Ages, the Holy Spirit's here to pull you into the Presence of the living God, that will give you a <u>FAITH</u> that'll <u>overcome</u> anything there is in the world: sickness, disease, and even death itself.
 You say, "You said death, Brother Branham." And that's what I meant. Death.
- « E-21 † Was not it, Lazarus, who was laying dead in the ground, and had already corruption set in, when Jesus said to Martha, "Where have you buried him? And if you won't doubt you shall see the glory of God."

 "Did not I tell you not to doubt," He said to Jairus that night--or that day? "If you'll only believe, you can see the glory of God."

Then <u>FAITH overcomes</u> death. <u>FAITH is the <u>VICTRORY</u> over death. <u>FAITH is the <u>VICTRORY</u> over sin. <u>FAITH is the <u>VICTRORY</u> over sickness. <u>FAITH is the <u>VICTRORY</u> over flusterations. <u>FAITH is the <u>VICTRORY</u> over the world.</u></u></u></u></u>

« E-22 † You say, John, when he wrote that, he did not have my troubles. He did not have to deal with the folk that I deal with. He did not have to go through the things that I do. That's right. He may not had to deal with the same folk. He may not had to **overcome** the same thing, but he never excluded them. For he said, "This--the **FAITH** is **the VICTRORY** that **overcomes** the world, the whole thing."

How is it? It's **FAITH** in it. Ride above it. When we have the written Word of God laying before us, and the Holy Spirit here performing and showing the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, with the Divine promises written here, that, "whatsoever thing you desire when you pray, believe you receive it, and you shall have it.", what do you have to do then? Have **FAITH**, not just **floating FAITH**, not just a make-believe **FAITH**, but a real **FAITH**.

« E-23 † Now, <u>FAITH</u> is a <u>conqueror</u>; <u>FAITH</u> is an <u>overcomer</u>. It just isn't a--a peace maker, it <u>overcomes</u>. <u>FAITH is</u> the <u>VICTRORY</u> that <u>overcomes</u> the world. What does it do? What is <u>FAITH</u>? What <u>is the conqueror</u>? <u>Conquer</u> and <u>VICTRORY is the</u> same. To <u>conquer</u>, it means to beat down, to override, to handcuff, to throw into prisons. It means that the sin, that once ruled you, you rule it now. It means that you have <u>overcome</u> it, you are--you've whipped it. You're greater than it is. Oh, I feel religious, right now.

Which was first, a sinner or a Saviour? A Saviour, for a Saviour is more powerful than a sin. Which was first, the Healer or a sickness? It couldn't be a Healer, 'less it was over the sickness. It is a Healer; it could **conquer** the sickness. And **FAITH is the VICTRORY**.

« E-24 † <u>FAITH</u> in what? Not <u>FAITH</u> in your church, not <u>FAITH</u> in your creed, not <u>FAITH</u> in some man, but <u>FAITH</u> in Jesus Christ Who made the promise. That's the <u>VICTRORY</u>. What is it? It <u>is the <u>VICTRORY</u>. Say, "My arm's still crippled." But <u>FAITH is the <u>VICTRORY</u>. "I still feel sick." but <u>FAITH is the <u>VICTRORY</u>. Oh, it <u>overcomes</u> the world. When you can climb into God by prayer, until you seen the thing <u>conquer</u>ed under you. There is nothing that can hurt you then. You've <u>overcome</u>. You got fifty miles of elbow room. You're sailing free then.</u></u></u>