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Be Positive And Live Happy.

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As prophetic, performing artists, it may seem that we are always receiving too many positive or too many negative emotions. This can lead to a roller coaster life. But with the help of God's Word, we can find a healthy balance. Let us first form the habit of thinking that His Word for us has more joy in it and is more positive than anything that is contrary to His will and Word.

In the morning we can say: "The Lord and I are walking together. I have access to His ability, His wisdom, His love, and His grace. I have His strength to meet every issue that confronts me. I shall have physical strength for every need today. I shall have wisdom to meet every issue. I shall walk in love no matter what the provocation may be."

The Word says: **"Be careful for nothing, but in everything, by prayer and supplication, let your requests be made** *known unto God, and the peace of God which passes all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.*" (Philippians 4:6-7)

Heaven is a positive place, and we are now seated in heavenly places in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 2:6). What can be more positive than that! *We can live in heavenly places now on the earth. This is the will of our loving, heavenly Father.* <u>*We can live in the Kingdom of God !*</u>

Faith is a positive force, and the more faith we get by hearing and meditating on the Word (Romans 10:17), the more positive we will be about life in general.

Jesus said for us to have faith in God in Mark 11:22. In Greek it reads: "Εχετε πιστιν Θεου". This can translate into English at least three different ways: Have faith in God, have the faith of God, or have God's kind of faith.

Then he tells us how to change our circumstances and remove negative forces from our lives.

Mark 11:23: Anyone that speaks to something (in this case, Jesus referred to a mountain) and doesn't doubt in his heart, shall have what he says. The Greek translation: $O_{\zeta} \alpha v \epsilon i \pi \eta ... \kappa \alpha i \mu \eta \delta i \alpha \kappa \rho i \theta \alpha v \tau \eta \kappa \alpha \rho \delta i \alpha$. In the English translation, **whosoever says**, and **does not waver in the heart**, shall have what he says.

This is how God the Father and Jesus are operating, and they want us to do the same thing in The Name (John 14:12-14). This is how God has designed for us (the church) to operate in His Faith and *rule over the forces of darkness in His earth*.

In Mark 11, Jesus explained what He had demonstrated. *He spoke to a fig tree* and told it to die, and it obeyed him. Now he is telling his disciples that *they also could and should do the same thing*. By the way, besides speaking to a tree, we also see Jesus speaking to winds, waves, sicknesses, fevers, spirits, etc.

The teaching of Jesus is that we also speak to things in His name, not doubting in our hearts, and they will come to pass. However, **most Christians will ask God to do what he has told us to do**. Let us stop this habit of asking God to do what He wants us to do in His Name.

Let us examine the scriptures for ourselves and <u>build our faith on the teachings of Jesus</u> and not allow ourselves to get stuck or hung up on what different denominations, religious traditions, and preachers tell us that He said.

Say aloud: Jesus, the anointed Son of God, is the greatest Rabbi, and His teachings will I prayerfully and carefully examine and follow, regardless of what others may say or have told me.

Help me Holy Spirit to get back to the basics of the Word of Faith. Help me to speak to and, thus, remove things that try to hinder me and my family from living a full and positive life to the glory of God! In Jesus name! Amen!