

DARING TO GO IN FAITH

Daring Faith: The Key to Miracles
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TWO OF THE WORDS THAT SUMMARIZE JESUS' MESSAGE ARE: &

Jesus: "If you are tired from carrying heavy burdens, <u>come to me</u> and I will give you rest. Take the yoke I give you. Put it on your shoulders and learn from me. I am gentle and humble, and you will find rest. This yoke is easy to bear, and this burden is light." Matthew 11:28-30 (CEV)

Jesus: "Your faith has saved you; go in peace." Luke 7:50 (NIV)

"Faith that doesn't lead us to do good deeds is all alone and dead!"

James 2:17 (CEV)

DARING FAITH IS ABOUT A PARTY THAT WILL LAST FOREVER:

"A man prepared a great feast and sent out many invitations. When all was ready, he <u>sent his servant around to notify</u> the guests that it was time for them to <u>arrive</u>. But they all began <u>making excuses</u>. One said he had just bought a field and wanted to inspect it, and asked to be excused. Another said he had just bought five pair of oxen and wanted to try them out. Another had just been married and for that reason couldn't come. The servant returned and reported to his master what they had said. His master was angry and told him to <u>qo quickly</u> into the streets and alleys of the city and to <u>invite</u> the beggars, crippled, lame, and blind. But even then, <u>there was still room</u>. 'Well, then,' said his master, 'go out into the country lanes and out behind the hedges and <u>urge anyone you find to come</u>, so that the house will be full. For none of those I invited first will get even the smallest taste of what I had prepared for them." Luke 14:16-24 (TLB)

During the Next 3 Years of Daring Faith... WHERE ARE WE GOING?

1. WE ARE GOING TO

"Go to the Lord for help, and worship him continually."

1 Chronicles 16:11 (GNT)

"Those people who go to the Lord for help will have every good thing."
Psalm 34:10 (ICB)

"He helps them and rescues them; he saves them from the wicked, because they go to him for protection." Psalm 37:40 (GNT)

2. WE ARE GOING TO

"(Paul & Barnabas) strengthening the disciples and encouraging them to remain true to the faith. 'We must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom of God." Acts 14:22 (NIV)

"I will know that you are <u>standing together</u> with one spirit and one purpose, <u>fighting together</u> for the faith, which is the Good News... Don't be intimidated in any way by your enemies... For you have been given not only the privilege of trusting in Christ but also the privilege of suffering for him. We are <u>in this struggle together</u>... Then make me truly happy by agreeing wholeheartedly with each other, loving one another, and <u>working together</u> with one mind and purpose." Philippians1:27-2:2 (NLT)

"We must support <u>believers who go</u> on trips like this so that we can work together with them in spreading the truth." 3 John 1:8 (GW)

3. WE ARE GOING TO

"Let us move beyond the elementary teachings about Christ and be taken forward to maturity." Hebrews 6:1 (NIV)

"The more you go on in this way, the more you will grow strong spiritually and become fruitful and useful to our Lord Jesus." 2 Peter 1:8 (TLB)

"Anyone who fails to go after these additions to faith is blind indeed, or at least very shortsighted and has forgotten that God delivered us from the old life of sin so that now he can live a strong, good life for the Lord." 2 Peter 1:9 (TLB)

4. WE ARE GOING TO

"Anyone who asks the Lord for help will be saved. But before people can trust in the Lord, they must believe in him. And before they can believe in him, they must hear about him. And to hear about him someone <u>must tell them</u>. And before someone <u>can go and tell them</u>, he must be sent. It is written, 'How beautiful is the person who comes to bring good news.'"

Romans 10:13-15 (ICB)

"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be <u>my witnesses</u>, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8 (NLT)

Jesus: "Let the spiritually dead bury their own dead! Your duty is to go and preach about the Kingdom of God." Luke 9:60 (NLT)