

## **Believing Jesus – (I Want To Be Believed)**

In the year 2016, I was teaching during a conference at the Family Prayer Center in Tulsa, Oklahoma. I was standing behind the pulpit, teaching from my good old paper King James Bible like I normally do. While I was teaching, I saw Jesus walk through the church wall over to my right. I saw Him so clearly, but I could tell by the non-reaction of the people that they were not seeing Him. He walked up to the right side of the pulpit, placed his finger on the open Bible and said, *"I want to be believed."* He did not say it in an angry tone of voice, but it was most certainly emphatic. He meant it with all seriousness. Then He disappeared.

I kept thinking about what He said. In my mind, I thought I already was believing Him. I am a believer, after all. Isn't "believing" what "believers" do? But over time I began noticing verses that showed me plainly that not only was "I" not believing Him, but virtually nobody in the churches were believing Him either.

**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.**

"The works that I do" ... the same works. There is a message I often teach showing how Jesus healed every single person that ever came to receive healing. He healed them all, first time, every time, no exceptions. I don't know anybody today who is doing those same works, do you? We thank God for the Gifts of the Spirit, and for the healings and miracles that do happen from time to time. But that is a far cry from "doing the same works, first time, every time, no exceptions." What was the requirement for doing the same works? HE THAT BELIEVETH ON ME!

Another example was when the disciples could not cast the devil out of the lunatic son. (The King James says lunatic.) When the disciples asked why they could not cast it out, Jesus gave them a very simple answer:

**Matthew 17:20-21 KJV 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 prayer and fasting.**

They thought they were believing. They had cast out devils before. I am sure they were stunned to hear Jesus say the reason they could not cast out that devil was because of their unbelief!

I could go on with many other examples from the word of God, but finally one day it dawned on my lightning quick mind ... "Lord, what you call believing, and what we call believing, are two different things." The disciples thought they were believing ... when they were not. We think we are believing ... when we are not. How do we know that for sure? Because we are not seeing the same works being done that Jesus did.

I often wonder what Jesus would think of our modern church services. I don't want to be overly critical. I think Jesus is pleased when two or more gather together in His name to worship Him, hear the Word of God taught, and to see us pray together. But when He sees people arrive in wheelchairs, and then leave in wheelchairs ... how is that doing the same works? Again, we thank God for the ones that get healed from time to time, here and there. But would Jesus call our modern services "Jesus Meetings?" I don't think so because if they were, then the people would be healed first time, every time, no exceptions just like they were when He ran the services in His own physical body.

Since that day long ago when He said, "I want to be believed," there has been lots and lots of prayer, fasting, worship, and meditation of the Word of God for Gary. He wants to be believed ... and I want to believe Him ... and I know you do too. But like the disciples, it is hard to know what you are not believing at the time. Then one glorious day, as I was praying in the Spirit, the Lord came to my rescue and gave me the interpretation of what I was praying.

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### **TI-240918 What Believing Really Is**

**Jeremiah 33:3 KJV Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.**

*Believing is re-coding the mind. It is a biological, physical disconnecting of old neuropaths and a reconnecting of new neuropaths.*

*Repetition is a major key exactly the same way that you learned the alphabet and*

*the multiplication tables and everything else that you have learned. The process is precisely the same. **This is how you go from unbelief to believing.***

*Rewind all the way back to the Words document that I originally gave you. Upon that foundation is how you rebuild your belief system to align with My belief system.*

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That launched a new teaching series titled RECODING THE BRAIN. There are some amazing revelations in it. I am not going to try and summarize those eighteen lessons because it is important that you hear them all. They are available for free at the website, [www.garycarpenter.org](http://www.garycarpenter.org).

As I was nearing the end of teaching that series, pastor Jim Martin came to Immokalee and taught a series titled "Kingdom Law." I watched every service online. I thought they were excellent, as Jim's messages always are. I like to think of myself as being a good student, and I thought I had gleaned what I should have from those teachings.

But then one day while in prayer, the Holy Spirit told me to go back and read again the prophecy that came through pastor Bronc Flint on February 16<sup>th</sup>, right before Jim Martin began to teach. The prophecy is available at [www.broncflint.org](http://www.broncflint.org) and is titled, "I'm Equipping You For The Harvest Ahead." It is an amazing prophecy that speaks specifically about the coming great harvest and revival. But this is the portion that gave me the change in focus that I needed:

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*For I've brought even to pass these meetings, in particular this week, **for the rest of your training** and building upon you these things that you'll hear through the one that comes to speak. For **I'll train you in the last portion of this.** For even the things that I'll be speaking to you now and the remainder of this week will build in the mature a place **that is necessary for Me to rest on you this great Harvest.** And you'll not crack. This won't crack. This foundation will not crack; it'll not split. **You'll take authority in the spirit and drive out devils over this region through the things that you'll hear. Be very attentive, says the Spirit of Grace, to the things that you'll hear the man of God speak.** For many things will touch your heart **individually and grow you up a measure so that you're able to stand against the wiles of the devil.** For he'll blow upon your foundation in the days ahead, but you'll be fine, and you'll stand strong and in great peace. But I call you*

*to mind. I call you to mind, says the Spirit of Grace, that **these meetings are not just**, and the things that you'll hear, are not just as you've been accustomed to in **more sound doctrine**, which they will [be] for the purpose of the hearing of the saints. But I'm asking an army, **a Joel's army to be equipped** for what My heart is. And My heart is the Harvest, says the Spirit of Grace.*

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I knew I heard that prophecy online when it came through pastor Bronc. But I must admit, it did not hit me with the force it did after the Holy Spirit told me to read it again. Bronc had no idea what Jim was going to teach when those words from God flowed through him. But the Holy Spirit did. I realized I had not given those teachings the diligence that I should have. I went back and listened to each one again, this time making sermon notes along the way to make sure I did not miss anything. What did the Holy Spirit say was the purpose for Him sending Jim to teach those lessons?

1. It is all about the great harvest of the end time revival.
2. It is for our final training in preparation for the harvest.
3. These teachings are NECESSARY for the Holy Spirit to rest on us.
4. We will develop "regional authority" to drive out devils through these truths.
5. We are to be very attentive to the lessons.
6. Those teachings will grow us up another measure so that we will be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.
7. This is individual equipping for every soldier in Joel's Army!
8. It's all about the great harvest that is on God's heart.

It was almost like I did not hear them at all when I first watched Jim teach online. I got some of it. We all did. But there is such depth in those teachings. Here are just two quick examples:

1. Jim didn't use these words, but did you know that in one of the lessons Jim described in detail God's method of recoding the brain for people who were not yet born again? He did, and the same principles apply today, but we have the great advantage of being born again.
2. In the final lesson Jim gave a warning regarding something that is so common in the body of Christ that we hardly notice it. But it will absolutely destroy our faith, and our capacity to "believe on Him" to "do the same works."

There are many other powerful truths in that series. Want my notes? For a love offering of only ... Ha! You make your own notes. The days of living off of somebody else's faith are over. Every soldier in Joel's Army is responsible for having his sword sharp and ready for battle.

Now I am ready to include those truths also in the next series that will be titled "Believing Jesus." Part of me wants to hold back from sharing with you one of the most recent things the Lord has said to me. The reason I hesitate is because there is a possibility I might fail along the way. Everybody would know I failed because the "same works" would never be manifested through me.

But listen to me. Truth is truth. The truth does not change because men fail. Whether I succeed or whether I fail, at least it will be said that as a teacher in the body of Christ, I held nothing back from the people. Are you ready to hear what the Holy Spirit said to me? With fear and trembling, here it is.

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### **TI-250323 How The Kingdom Works**

*"The kingdom functions the way the king says it does, and not the way you think it does."*

Note: More came while in prayer on March 24<sup>th</sup>:

*"My Son described how the kingdom of God functions, in fine detail, while on earth. If you will follow those instructions, you will have success one hundred percent of the time. The kingdom of God is the most efficient operation in the universe. It does not function by guesswork. It functions by spiritual law, which can be relied upon with absolute confidence."*

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"It functions by spiritual law" and Jim Martin's series is titled "Kingdom Law." Yes, there "might" be a connection there.

When He says it is possible for us to have success "one hundred percent of the time," that sounds like ... first time, every time, no exceptions.

Gary, no minister on planet earth is functioning at that level. I know that. But does that justify "lowering the standard" that Jesus set for us? He said, "The works that I do" and He healed them all, first time, every time, no exceptions ... or you could say ... one hundred percent of the time.

Electricity works by physical law. When you plug in a device, do you expect electricity to work one hundred percent of the time? Yes you do, because electricity functions by physical law.

The kingdom of God functions by spiritual law, not guesswork, not emotion, not maybe so. Let us press toward the mark right where Jesus left it. I am willing to go for the gold, even with the possibility I might fail. How about you?