

# FirstFruits Gathering At Harvest Christian Church

## Faith Garden May 4, 2021 Suzi Armstrong

Faith is standing and believing that God is God alone and that He is able to do all that He promises. Scripture says that the nations are His and that time belongs to Him. Faith is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not yet seen. By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was made out of what was not visible. By faith Abraham was enabled to become a father. By faith and not by works we are born again and become sons and daughters of the Most High God.

This is a time to press into faith as you are being pressed. Faith and prayer equal explosive nuclear power. So do not throw away your confidence – it will be richly rewarded. Jesus said that if you have faith the size of the tiniest mustard seed, that faith can move mountains! Faith is meant to GROW and INCREASE in size and impact. Faith births more faith. How do we grow faith? Faith comes by hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ! For we walk by faith and not by sight. Ours is a faith walk – we see by the eyes of our heart, which are eyes of faith. Faith is not logical because faith does not come from the mind but from the heart. Faith is linked to trust and hope. Faith brings peace to your mind and body. Faith shifts the atmosphere. Faith imparts courage and boldness. Faith works together with love.

The Lord says, "Believe in Me for I AM FAITHFUL AND TRUE. Let your faith increase. I am who I say that I am. I will complete the good work that I began in you and in this nation. My purposes will stand and I will do all that I said that I would do. Let go of rationalization to define the future. Do not believe the narratives of the naysayers, those manipulators that do not walk by faith but by their own evil desires. I, even I am the Lord, and apart from Me there is no God. I, the Lord, speak the truth; I declare what is right."

### **Song of Songs 4.16** TPT

#### **...Breathe on my garden with your Spirit-Wind.**

Stir up the sweet spice of your life within me.

Spare nothing as you make me your fruitful garden.

#### **Hold nothing back until I release your fragrance.**

Come walk with me *as you walked*

*with Adam* in your paradise garden.

Come taste the fruits of your life in me.

#### **Come walk with me until I am fully yours.**

- All the days that Adam walked with God in the Garden of Eden, he walked in total faith believing God in all things.
- It was doubt that made Adam vulnerable to the lies of Satan.
- Faith says NO! to the devil – no matter what argument the devil speaks to bring sow doubt.

### **Luke 1.37** TPT

<sup>37</sup> **Not one promise from God is empty of power. Nothing is impossible with God!**

### **Psalm 4.5** TPT

<sup>5</sup> **Bring to Yahweh the sacrifice of righteousness and put your trust in him.**

**Psalm 31.24** TPT

<sup>24</sup> So cheer up! Take courage, all you who love him. **Wait for him to break through for you, all who trust in him!**

**1 Corinthians 2.5** TPT

<sup>5</sup> **For God intended that your faith not be established on man's wisdom but by trusting in his almighty power.**

**Galatians 3.6-8** TPT

<sup>6</sup> Abraham, *our father of faith*, believed God, and **the substance of his faith released God's righteousness to him.** <sup>7</sup> So the true children of Abraham have the same faith as their father! <sup>8</sup> And the Scripture prophesied that **on the basis of faith God would declare gentiles to be righteous.** God announced the good news ahead of time to Abraham:

**"Through your example of faith, all the nations will be blessed!"**

We fix our eyes upon Jesus; You are the author and finisher of our faith! We stir faith within us and extend faith over our city and state and across the nation. We do not fear what man fears. We stand strong in faith – aligning ourselves to TRUTH.

Narratives of doom and gloom are decimated in an atmosphere of faith – by faith we shift the atmosphere over our land. By faith we declare that God reigns over this nation. We open the gates for the King of Glory to come in. Jesus has disarmed the demonic powers and authorities making a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. For our faith through Jesus Christ is the aroma of life to our city and nation. And that same aroma is the smell of death to the enemy. We will not back up or back down in faith in Jesus Christ. We stand strong and united in faith – our eyes set on things above! We declare Your kingdom come and Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. We lift the name of Jesus over every family and we declare that the knowledge of God's glory will cover this nation as the waters cover the sea. The earth is the Lord's and everything in it. Pour out your Spirit upon all flesh. Let Your sons and daughters prophesy and Your young men see visions and Your old men dream dreams. Let God arise and the enemy be scattered.

God's purposes and plans will prevail over this city and nation! We declare, "WAKE UP, WAKE UP" to our nation. No longer will you turn your head and ignore wickedness but you will arise out of your slumber and out of your secret alliances with evil and compromise to take your God-given place. **The testimony of the Gospel of Jesus Christ is rising up over this nation. The sound of freedom is ringing in the heavens over this land.**