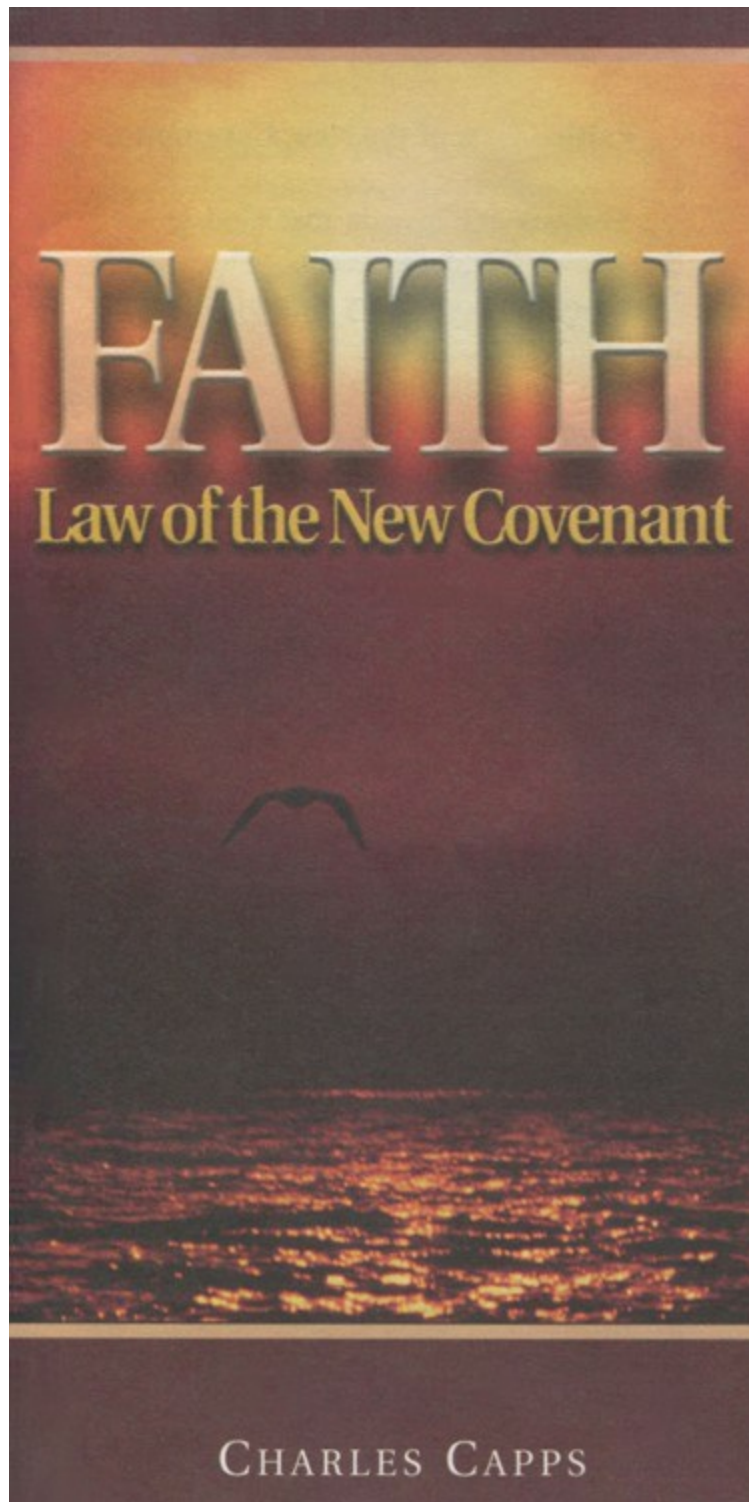


# FAITH

## Law of the New Covenant



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**FAITH—LAW OF THE NEW**

## COVENANT

Genesis 1:1 reveals that God created the heavens and the earth. The apostle John gave us some very important details of the creation.

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God... All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made. (John 1:1-3)*

Verse 14 reveals the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us in the person of Jesus. Hebrews, chapter 11 gives us insight into the fact that God framed the world.

*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.* (Hebrews 11:3)

Just as God framed the worlds with  
His Words, we are also framing our

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world daily with our own words either  
for better or worse. The law of faith is  
one of the means of changing your  
world around you and your family.

Everything you see on this earth  
began by words. God's words are the  
most powerful force in the universe  
today. Words are transmitters. Your  
words can transmit faith or fear. They  
are also capable of transmitting the faith  
of Jesus Christ.

Hebrews 11:1 says, "*Now faith is  
the substance of things hoped for, the  
evidence of things not seen.*" Faith is  
the title deed. It is the substance of

things that God has already given to us.

II Peter 1:3 tells us He has given us all

things that pertain unto life and

godliness. He also tells us He gave us

all these things through the “...

*exceeding great and precious promises:*

*that by these ye might be partakers of*

*the divine nature.”* God has released

sufficient faith in every promise to

cause it to become a reality in your life.

Faith is the substance of those things

God has already given us.

Paul said,

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*But now the righteousness of*

*God without the law is manifested,*

*being witnessed by the law and the*

*prophets; Even the righteousness*

*of God which is by faith of Jesus*

*Christ unto all and upon all them  
that believe: for there is no  
difference.* (Romans 3:21-22)

Faith is the substance that is  
resident in His Word. Jesus said, “... *the  
words that I speak unto you, they are  
spirit, and they are life*” (John 6:63).

When being tempted by the devil Jesus  
said, “*Man shall not live by bread  
alone, but by every word of God.*”

There is life in every word of God. In  
contrast, there is death in the words of  
the devil, and they will afflict and  
oppress everyone who speaks them.

When we speak God’s Word after  
Him, that Word creates within us the  
divine energy of God called faith. That  
faith is capable of transposing a sinner’s  
unrighteousness into righteousness.

In Romans, chapter three Paul

reveals that faith is the Law of the New Covenant.

*Whom God hath set forth to be  
a propitiation through faith in his*

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blood, to declare his righteousness  
for the remission of sins that are  
past, through the forbearance of  
God; to declare, I say, at this time  
his righteousness: that he might be  
just, and the justifier of him which  
believeth in Jesus... By what law?  
Of works? Nay: but by the law of  
faith. (Romans 3:25-27)*

*Do we then make void the law  
through faith? God forbid: yea, we  
establish the law. (Romans 3:31)*

Notice that Paul calls faith a law  
saying you can't boast about being the

righteousness of God, because it is not something you did. But it is something you received by faith when you were born-again. You are justified by faith. We could say it this way: Justified means just-as-if-I-had-not-sinned.

*“Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law”* (Romans 3:28). What is he talking about establishing? He is certainly not referring to establishing the law of the Old Covenant, which was a law of works. In Galatians, chapter three Paul gives us the reason for the law of the Old Covenant.

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*... For if there had been a law*  
*given which could have given life,*



*verily righteousness should have  
been by the law. (Galatians 3:21)  
... Before faith came, we were  
kept under the law, shut up unto  
the faith which should afterwards  
be revealed. Wherefore the law  
was our schoolmaster to bring us  
unto Christ, that we might be  
justified by faith. But after that  
faith is come, we are no longer  
under a schoolmaster. (Galatians  
3:23-25)*

It is evident from these verses in  
Galatians and in Romans 3:31 that he is  
not referring to the law of the Old  
Covenant, but the law of the *New  
Covenant, which is faith.*

For it is by grace that you are saved  
through faith. That faith comes from the  
Word of God.

Paul in Romans 8 refers again to the Law of God. “... *The carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be*” (Romans 8:7). Some try to operate the law of faith in their head—that is called mental assent, but faith works in

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the heart. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness. You can’t believe with your head what you can’t believe with your heart.

Even under the New Covenant we still observe the spirit of the law, but not the letter. II Corinthians 3:6 tells us why. “*Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.*” It is

not through works, but rather through faith that we receive redemption and all the benefits Christ provided at Calvary.

They are a finished work; He has already given them to us. Psalm 107:20 says, *“He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.”* Notice it didn’t say that He sent His Word to heal them. He sent His Word **and** healed them. It was done two ways, His written Word and Jesus who was the Word of God personified.

*“... The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us”* (John 1:14).

The Law of Faith, which operates by the power of the spoken Word, can change your situation in life. Here are some of the principles of that law.

*And all things, whatsoever ye  
shall ask in prayer, believing, ye  
shall receive. (Matthew 21:22)*

*... Whosoever shall say unto  
this mountain, Be thou removed,  
and be cast into the sea; and shall  
not doubt in his heart, but shall  
believe that those things which he  
saith shall come to pass; he shall  
have whatsoever he saith... what  
things soever ye desire, when ye  
pray, believe that ye receive them,  
and ye shall have them. (Mark  
11:23-24)*

*... If ye had faith as a grain of  
mustard seed, ye might say unto  
this sycamine tree, be thou plucked  
up by the root, and be thou planted  
in the sea; and it should obey you.  
(Luke 17:6)*

These principles reveal how the law of faith works.

In Romans 1:20 Paul said, “... *the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made...*” How can you see invisible things? They are understood by things that are made, or natural things. If you

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can’t see it clearly in the Word, you can’t have it by faith. I am referring to seeing it on the inside with the eye of faith. In other words, an understanding that causes you to perceive it as truth and become fully persuaded.

In Joshua 1:8, God said to Joshua,

*This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth, but thou*

*shalt meditate therein day and  
night, that thou mayest observe to  
do ... all that is written therein.*

(Joshua 1:8)

How are you going to observe or see?

The spoken Word of God creates the  
image inside you. God's Word brings  
light and revelation in your spirit.

Without a revelation of God's Word, it  
won't produce in your life. For if you  
don't have a revelation of the Word,  
someone will talk you out of it before  
you set the law in motion. Sometimes  
people let the enemy in through carnal  
reasoning and nullify everything that  
God promised them.

God's promises belong to you. Just  
as the title to your car proves your  
ownership, faith is the title deed to what

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God has already given you (see II Peter 1:1-8). In Mark, chapter four Jesus said, *“The sower soweth the word.”* Where was the word sown? In the heart of man. The soil represented the heart of man.

This parable in Mark, chapter four reveals how the Kingdom of God works.

*“So is the Kingdom of God as if a man cast a seed into the ground.”* How does man cast seed into the ground (heart)?

He does it by speaking, proclaiming, and decreeing what God said, regardless of his situation or circumstance. “If you have faith as a seed you would speak it” (Luke 17:6). That’s the way you put the law of faith to work in your behalf.

The laws that govern the world of the spirit are extended into this earth.

The natural laws also reveal spiritual

laws. The law of gravity dictates that anything heavier than air will fall if you drop it. But when man really understood the law of gravity he used that knowledge to overcome that law. When you combine the law of lift with thrust, an airplane overcomes the law of gravity and flies like a bird. Yet, you could sit on the runway all day praying that the airplane would have lift on the

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wings, but nothing will happen until you apply the power of thrust to create the lift needed to overcome gravity.

Here is the parallel truth—you can't obtain faith by praying for it. Faith comes by hearing the Word of God.

You must hear what God says to have faith in God and His promises. You only



get Bible faith from the Bible—the Word of God. It is possible to believe with all your heart and not have an ounce of Bible faith. If your belief didn't come from the Word of God, it's not Bible faith. The God kind of faith comes from the Word of God, for God and His Word are one. Your confession of God's Word is to your faith like thrust is to an airplane.

God's Word is designed to create faith, but it won't do it in the pages of your Bible. It must get inside you. Paul said, "*The word is nigh thee, even in your mouth and in your heart*" (Romans 10:8). Faith won't work in your head.

Faith is transferred into your heart by speaking God's Word after Him. God's divine energy (faith) that is resident in His Word can be transferred into your

heart over a period of time by

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confessing and meditating on God's  
Word.

I asked the Lord one time, "Why  
aren't things going for me like they  
were a few years ago?" He said, "Check  
up on what you've been doing. You've  
backed off of your confession of the  
Word." Your faith in God's Word will  
never rise any higher than your  
confessions of that Word.

Jesus said it this way, "*If you abide  
in Me and My Words abide in you, ask  
what you will and it shall be done unto  
you*" (John 15:7).

FAITH FOLLOWS THE WORD.

IF YOU DON'T HAVE THE WORD  
IN YOU, YOU WON'T HAVE FAITH

TO RECEIVE GOD'S PROVISION. To enter into the promises of God you must access the faith of God. And that is done by meditating on and confessing the promises (Romans 5:2 and Mark 11:23-24). Quite often you hear people say, "I am just standing on the Word," but you can only stand on the Word that abides in you. Just because you have heard it doesn't mean it abides in you. It can be in your head and not in your heart. You

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can know about it and not have an ounce of Bible faith.

When an airplane is thrust through the air, it creates its own lift. This is the way your confession of the Word creates the divine energy that is capable of causing you to rise above the

circumstances of life. An airplane does not do away with the law of gravity, but it overcomes it. You are not going to do away with sickness, disease, and problems on earth until the lease expires and satan is cast into the bottomless pit.

But, you can overcome the curses that he brought about through sin.

God's divine energy of faith is always resident in the promises of God.

But that energy does nothing until it is set in motion by speaking (planting).

Here is a perfect parallel: There is no lift created until the airplane wing moves through the air. That is the reason for the engines. Thrust and lift working together are the determining factors of when that airplane wing will create sufficient lift to overcome the law of gravity and fly through the air like a

bird. It works every time because it is a law. But it won't happen overnight, it  
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takes time.

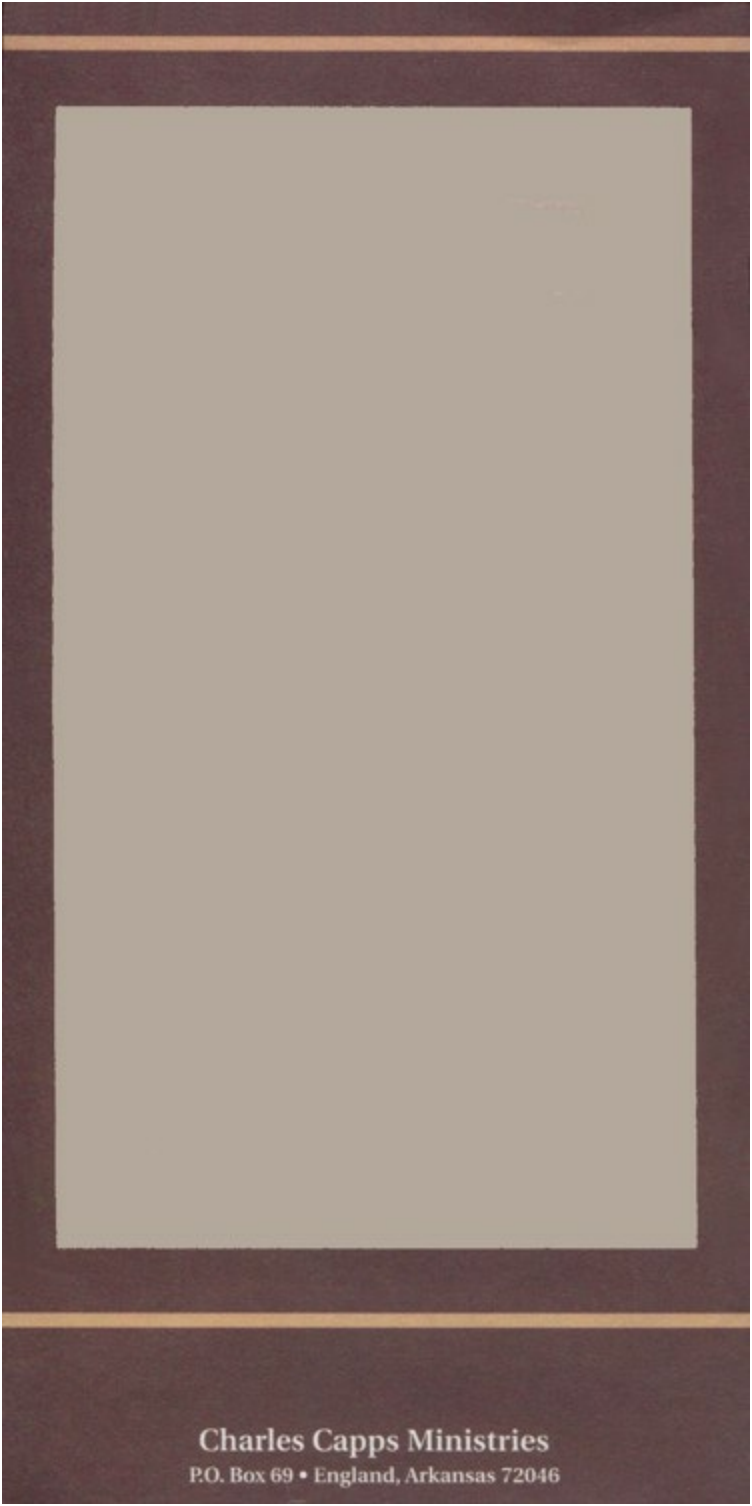
Someone asked: “How long do you have to confess the Word of God?”

Until you create sufficient faith to overcome your situation. The curses may be hitting you in the face, and everybody is telling you it is not working, but Jesus said, “He shall have whatsoever he sayeth, if he believes, if he doubts not in his heart, if he believes what he says will come to pass, he shall have it.”

Even when you have overcome, continue to confess God's Word so you will have sufficient lift (faith) to continue to overcome the circumstances

of life. Remember faith cometh by  
hearing and hearing and hearing the  
Word of God. You are not going to do  
away with all the problems of life, but  
the law of faith determines that you can  
rise above the curses and walk in  
victory.

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