

Praying Audacious Prayers

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I remember the many times during different seasons on my cattle and grain farm that I was faced with what seemed like impossible situations. Some had to do with the weather, some with planting and harvest seasons, some with the calving season and yes, some were financial.

I am already certain that while you are reading this, that some impossible situations is coming to your mind that you too were or are faced with. I am not sure how you handled them or are handling them, but for me personally I turned to God in prayer. All throughout scripture we read of impossible situations that people were faced with but when they turned to God in prayer He always came through.

You know friends God is an all-knowing, all-powerful, all-present God! He is a God that changes not and He is a God that cares about the needs of His children. He cares about every need that you are facing right now and He deeply desires to give you you're breakthrough!

We must believe by faith that God hears and answers our prayers. His timing may not always be our timing and He may not answer the way that we think He should answer. But this should never stop us from asking, seeking and knocking on His door by praying audacious prayers of faith. We cannot forget that God's ways are higher than our ways and His thoughts are higher than our thoughts! His mercy is indeed new every day, His compassions never fail and great is His Faithfulness!

With this all in mind we must be bold in our prayers. Any other approach may be insulting to God and a demonstration of the lack of real faith and trust in Him. Hebrews 11:6 states that,

“without faith it is impossible to please God, for he who comes to God MUST believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.”

I love a story in the Old Testament about Joshua and the people of Israel. After wondering in the wilderness for 40 years they finally crossed into their promised land, a land flowing with milk and honey. The land however was not void of challenges, strongholds or enemies. In one situation as recorded in Joshua chapter 10, Joshua was facing five opposing Amorite armies. God instructed Joshua as he has instructed us as His children about our enemies (trials, tribulations, strongholds), “do not be afraid of them; I have given them into your hand. Not one of them will be able to withstand you.”

So at dawn Joshua unleashed a surprise attack. The battle went in Joshua’s favor, the battle raged all day long, the enemy’s walls broke down and they fled for fear of their lives only to die from being hurled with large hailstones from the sky. As darkness was near Joshua knew that Victory was not yet complete. He didn’t want any of the enemy slipping away so he prays an Audacious Prayer of great faith.

What was it that Joshua asks the Lord to do? In sight of all the Israelites he speaks these words, **“Sun stand still over Gibeon; And Moon in the Valley of Aijalon” Joshua 10:12.**

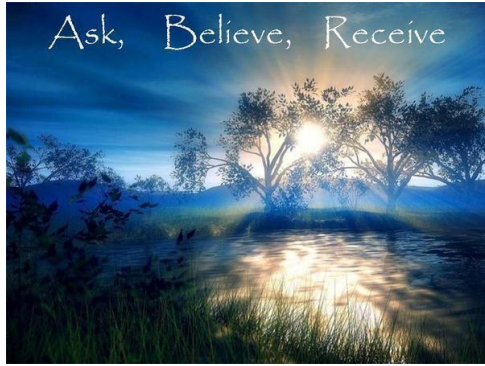
What happened next? The sun and the moon stood still the whole day, there was never another day like it and victory was accomplished! Joshua prayed an Audacious Prayer of faith and God answered!

Let me ask you this today, “what is the enemy that you are facing?”

*a broken heart? *a broken relationship? * Physical or emotional illness? * a blockage in your finances? * a stronghold of oppression? *Discouragement? can’t find your purpose and meaning in life?

These are indeed enemies and strongholds in one’s life and to gain victory over them, Sun stand Still type of prayers will need to be prayed. You will need to pray in faith, trusting God with all your heart and believing that what is impossible with man is not impossible with God.

As you Pray Audacious Prayers by faith God will answer! So please be encouraged today as you pray. Know that God is listening and that He is ready to do what he needs to do for you on your behalf, as His child. So trust Him more than ever, pray with faith, don’t doubt, believe and watch the hand of almighty God move!



This past week I was privileged to attend the 2016 Denver NWSS. It was there that I got to finally meet in person a fine young lady, Melissa Grimmel. We have been facebook cattle friends for over a couple of years and interesting enough her show heifers were stalled right across the aisle from a partnership bull calf that I was exhibiting there as well. Story short, after praying audacious prayers for her and her experience there at the superbowl of all Livestock shows, one of her heifers, LCC TG Be My Merry Time 7B was chosen to be the National Champion Polled Hereford female.

Some of you might possibly be thinking it was all a coincidence, but I know differently, it was God's answer to an AUDACIOUS PRAYER OF FAITH AND IT IS AN AMAZING STORY!



It is true, God answers Audacious Prayers of Faith!

**In Christ's love
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