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Introduction

The power of the spoken word of faith is a fundamental principle in the Christian faith, especially within the Apostolic Pentecostal tradition. This booklet will explore the significance of speaking faith-filled words, demonstrating how God's spoken word brings creation, healing, and miracles.

Chapter 1

The Foundation of Faith in the Word

Romans 10:8: *“But what does it say? ‘The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart’ (that is, the word of faith which we preach).”*

Greek Word Meaning:

- Word (λόγος, logos): This term signifies the expression, speech, or utterance of God.
- Matthew 8:8: “The centurion answered and said, ‘Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed.’”
- Jesus is God, and the Word was God (John 1:1). The Logos is the expression and utterance of the spoken word of God.
- Hebrews 11:3: “By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which

are visible.”

One God and His Name is Jesus:

- Isaiah 43:11: “I, even I, am the LORD, and beside Me, there is no savior.”
- Isaiah 44:6: “Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: ‘I am the First and I am the Last; besides Me, there is no God.’”
- Isaiah 45:5: “I am the LORD, and there is no other; there is no God besides Me.”

Clarifying the Doctrine:

- The term “Trinity” is not found in the Bible; it is a man-made doctrine. The Bible clearly states that there is one God, and His name is Jesus.

Chapter 2

The Power of the Spoken Word of Faith in the New Testament

Examples of Jesus Speaking the Word of Faith:

To the Fig Tree:

- Matthew 21:19: “And seeing a fig tree by the road, He came to it and found nothing on it but leaves, and said to it, ‘Let no fruit grow on you ever again.’ Immediately the fig tree withered away.”

To the Mountain:

- Matthew 17:20: “So Jesus said to them, ‘Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, “Move from here to there,” and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.”

To the Storm:

- Mark 4:39: “Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, ‘Peace, be still!’ And the wind ceased and there was a great calm.”

To the Demon-Possessed:

- Mark 5:8: “For He said to him, ‘Come out of the man, unclean spirit!’”

To the Woman with the Issue of Blood:

- Mark 5:34: “And He said to her, ‘Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace, and be healed of your affliction.’”

Centurion’s Faith:

- Matthew 8:8: “The centurion answered and said, ‘Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed.’”

Raising Lazarus:

- John 11:4: “When Jesus heard that, He said, ‘This

sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it.”

- John 11:43: “Now when He had said these things, He cried with a loud voice, ‘Lazarus, come forth!’”

Greek Word Meaning:

- Come forth (ἐρχου ἔξω, *erchou exo*): A command, indicating authority and power over death.

Jairus’ Daughter:

- Mark 5:41: “Then He took the child by the hand, and said to her, ‘Talitha, cumi,’ which is translated, ‘Little girl, I say to you, arise.’”

Peter’s Example:

- Acts 3:6: “Then Peter said, ‘Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!’”

- Acts 3:16: “And His name, through faith in His name, has made this man strong, whom you see and know.”

Chapter 3

The Story of Jesus Raising Lazarus

Context of the Miracle:

- Lazarus, a close friend of Jesus, had died. Jesus arrived at Bethany four days after Lazarus had been

buried.

Key Scriptures:

- John 11:1-3: “Now a certain man was sick, Lazarus of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha. It was that Mary who anointed the Lord with fragrant oil and wiped His feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick. Therefore the sisters sent to Him, saying, ‘Lord, behold, he whom You love is sick.’”
- John 11:14-15: “Then Jesus said to them plainly, ‘Lazarus is dead. And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, that you may believe. Nevertheless, let us go to him.’”
- John 11:25-26: “Jesus said to her, ‘I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?’”

Greek Word Meaning:

- I am the resurrection and the life (Ἐγὼ εἰμι ἡ ἀνάστασις καὶ ἡ ζωή, Egō eimi hē anastasis kai hē zōē): Jesus declares His divine identity as the source of resurrection and life, affirming His role as Jehovah incarnate.

Jesus Calls Lazarus by Name:

- John 11:43-44: “Now when He had said these things, He cried with a loud voice, ‘Lazarus, come forth!’ And

he who had died came out bound hand and foot with grave clothes, and his face was wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, ‘Loose him, and let him go.’”

Chapter 4

Old Testament Examples of the Word of Faith

The Shunammite Woman:

- 2 Kings 4:26: “Run now to meet her, and say to her, ‘Is it well with you? Is it well with your husband? Is it well with the child?’ And she answered, ‘It is well.’”
- Her faith in God’s power to raise her son from the dead exemplifies the spoken word of faith.

Other Examples:

- 1 Kings 17:1: Elijah speaks to Ahab, declaring a drought.
- 2 Kings 1:10: Elijah calls down fire from heaven.
- Isaiah 55:11: “So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.”

Chapter 5

Testimonies of the Power of the Spoken Word of Faith

Testimonies from the Apostolic Pentecostal Church:

- Healing Testimony #1: A member shares how they were healed of a chronic illness after the pastor spoke the word of faith in prayer, declaring healing in Jesus' name.
- Miracle Testimony #2: A family recounts how they prayed for a financial breakthrough, speaking the promises of God over their situation, and within days, they received unexpected help that met their needs.
- Deliverance Testimony #3: A woman shares her story of being set free from addiction after she began to speak the word of faith, declaring her freedom in Jesus' name during prayer meetings.

Conclusion

The spoken word of faith has the power to create, heal, and transform. As believers, we are called to speak the word of faith, just as Jesus did, knowing that His name—Jesus—is the name above all names. Let us embrace this power and share it with others, declaring the truth of God's word in every situation.

Call to Action

- Encourage congregants to practice speaking the word of faith in their lives.
- Invite those who need healing or miracles to come forward for prayer, believing in the power of the

spoken word of faith.

This expanded sermon booklet now includes the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead, relevant scriptures, Greek word meanings, and insights into Jesus' divine identity.