



Sermon
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“Pab Kom Peb Muaj Siab Rau Ntseeg Ntxiv”

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Thov txoj koobhmoov txojkev hlub thiab txojkev haumxeeb pub rau nej sawvdaws los ntawm Vajtswv uas yog peb Leejtxiv uas yog peb tus Cawmseej Tswv Yexus Khetos. Asmees.

Lukas 17:5, “The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" – *Cov thwjtim hais rau Yexus haistias*, “Thov koj pab kom peb muab siab rau ntseeg ntxiv.” (NIV) ‘Nov yog Vajtswv Txojlus.’ (Cross reference – Mak 6:30, Luke 7:13, and Luke 7:19)

Illustration “Faith” (Show an Africa impala)



Cov tsiaj African impala muaj peevxwm dhia siab li 10 feet thiab deb li 30 feet. Tiamsis yog koj muab cov tsiaj no kaw rau lub vaj uas siab li 3 feet xwb nws tsis kam dhia kom dhau rau sab nraud. Qhovtseeb yog li no, tus impala no yuav tsis kam dhia yog haistias, nws tsis pom losyog tsis paub haistias, nws obtxhais kotaw yuav poob mus tsuj qhov twg. Peb txojkev ntseeg Vajtswv, peb yuav tsis ua li tus tsiaj no, vim peb tsis tau pom Vajtswv timntsej timmuag kiag los, peb yeej cia siab – trust rau yam uas peb tsis pom – see, vim yam ntawd yuav pub peb tau txojhia mus ibtxhis. Peb txojkev ntseeg kev cia siab yog rau ntawm peb tus Cawmseej Tswv Yexus Khetos.

I. Txojmoozoo qhia rau peb haistias, cov thwjtim nug Yexus kom Yexus pab kom lawv muaj kev ntseeg ntxiv tshaj qhovqub. (Show sstone around a person neck and thrown into sea)



Tiamsis nqe 1-4 uantej ntawd Yexus haistias, Jesus said to his disciples: "Things that cause people to sin are bound to come, but woe to that person through whom they come. It would be better for him to be thrown into the sea with a millstone tied around his neck than for him to cause one of these little ones to sin. So watch yourselves. "If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him. If he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times comes back to you and says, 'I repent,' forgive him." - *Yexus hais rau nws cov thwjtim haistias*, “Ua li cas los yeej yuav muaj ib yam ua rau neeg ua txhaum, tiamsis tus uas ua yam ntawd,

nws yuav raug kev puastsuaj! Yog tus ntawd ua rau cov menyuam no ibtug ua txhaum, cia li muab hlua khi ib txhib zeb uas loj loj dai rau tus ntawd cajdab thiab coj nws mus pov rau hauv hiavtxwv yuav zoo dua! Yog li ntawd, nej yuavtsum ceevfaj zoo! Yog koj pom koj ibtug kwvtij ua txhaum rau koj, koj yuavtsum ntuas nws. Yog nws lees nws tej kev txhaum lawm, koj cia li zam txim rau nws. Yog ib hnuab nws ua txhaum rau koj xyia zaus, thiab txhua zaus uas nws tuaj lees rau koj haistias, ‘Kuv ua txhaum lawm,’ koj yuavtsum zam txim rau nws.” (Lukas 17:1-4) (Show Jesus with children of all races)



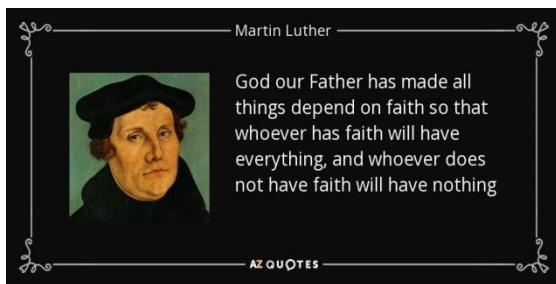
Yog nej ua tibzoo saib, feem ntau yog leejtwg hais txog koj ibyam dabtsi tsis zoo, first thing you want to do is to defend - tivthaiv koj tus kheej. Thiab yam uas tus tau ua txhaum rau koj lawm, koj xav kom nws txaus nkaus losyog raug tej yam

uas tsis zoo rau nws kiag mas nws thiaj li paub. Qhov no peb pheej hnov cov lus haistias, “*Thov kom nws npam kiag, nws thiaj li paub haistias, nws yog tus tibneeg phem.*” Tiamsis yog peb saib nqe 1-3, Yexus qhia haistias, yog leejtwg ua rau ibtug twg ua txhaum, xub muab pobzeb khi hluas los dai nws cejdab thiab muab nws pov rov tom dej hiavtxwv. Koj yuavtsum ceevfaj kom tus kheej kom zoo. Cov kwvtij, koj puas ceevfaj koj tus kheej kom zoo?

Koj puas tau hais kom lwmtus npam losyog qw rau Vajtswv haistias, “Ua li cas Vajtswv tseem tsis rau txim rau tus niag neeg siab phem ntawd?” Cov kwvtij, yog koj xav li no losyog hais li no, koj puas yog muaj kev ntseeg tseeb? No! vim koj tseem muaj lub siab tsis zamtxim rau lwmtus uas tau ua txhaum rau koj lawm. (Show Luke 17:3-4)



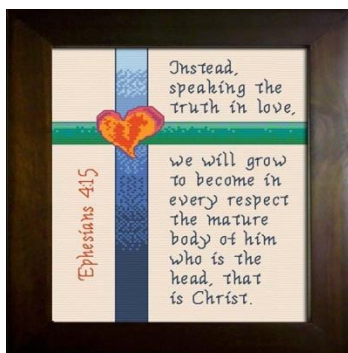
Yog koj xav li no, koj puas xav kom muab pobzeb khi hluas los dai koj cejdab thiab muab koj pov rau tom dej hiavtxwv? No! Yog li ntawd, koj yuav ua li cas koj thiaj li ua tau zoo uas yog muaj kev ntseeg tshaj no ntxiv? Yexus haitias, “If he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times comes back to you and says, 'I repent,' forgive him” - *Yog ib hnub nws ua txhaum rau koj xya zaus, thiab txhua zaus uas nws tuaj lees rau koj haistias, 'Kuv ua txhaum lawm,' koj yuavtsum zam txim rau nws.*” (Lukas 17:4) (Show Dr. Martin Luther)



Yexus qhia koj thiab kuv haistias, yog leejtwg ua txhaum rau koj, koj yuavtsum zamtxim rau nws. Txawm yuav pistsawg zaug los koj thiab kuv yog tus ntseeg Vajtswv lawm, koj yuavtsum zamtxim rau tus tau ua txhaum rau koj. Koj thiaj li yog tus muaj kev ntseeg. Dr. Martin Luther sau haistias, “God our Father has made all things depend on faith so that whoever has faith will have everything, and whoever does not have faith will have nothing – *Vajtswv*

uas yog peb Leejtxiv tus tsim txhuayam rau ntawm txojkev ntseeg, yog li ntawd tus uas muaj kev ntseeg nws muaj txhuayam, tus uas tsis muaj kev ntseeg nws tsis muaj ib yam dabtsi li.” (Dr. Martin Luther) <https://www.azquotes.com/quote/868818>

- II. Tiamsis vim peb tseem nyob rau lub ntiajteb uas muaj kev dagntxias nrog rau kev ntxhaum ntau heev li. Peb nyob rau tiam uas tibneeg xav “Self worship – Hawm nws tus kheej.” Yog nej ua tibzoo nco txog cov lus uas nej twb hnov los lawm, cov lus yuav hais li no: “Have it your way, be all you can be, do your own thing, I gotta be me.” Even Elvis Presley muaj zaj nkauj haistias, “I did it my way – kuv ua li kuv nyiam.” (Show Ephesians 4:15)



Cov kwvtij hlub thiab movtshua. Yog koj ua li koj siab nyiam heevduas, ntau zaug koj yuav ua txhaum thiab yuav coj koj mus tau plaub tau ntug. Vim ntau zaug koj tsis xav txog haistias koj yog tus ntseeg Vajtswv, koj yog Vajtswv ibtug menyuam, koj yuavtsum ua siabntev, muaj kev zamtxim, thiab kev hlub. Tus thwjtim Paulus sau haistias, “speaking the truth in love – *haislus qhovtseeb rau kev hlub.*” (Ephesians 4:15) Yog koj tsis ceevfaj, koj yuav mus mloog thiab cia siab rau lwmtus lwmyam thiab lwm txojkev ces koj cia li tsis nco koj txojkev ntseeg rau ntawm Tswv Yexus lawm. Thaum no koj txojkev ntseeg yuav ua cas muaj kev ntseeg tshaj no ntxiv? (Show parachute jump and open)



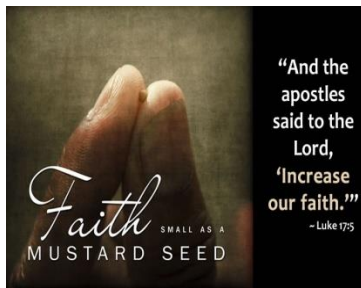
April Xyoo 1988, muaj ib tus tub yeesduab nrog cov sky diver mus dhia kaus – parachute. Nws tes haujlwm yog yeesduab thaum lawv dhia saum lub tsheb davhlau thiab thaum lawv tseem nyob ibntas ntuj saib lawv ua li cas. Thaum tus tub yeesduab cev tes mus nqus nws txojhluas ntawm lub kaus, ua li cas nws tsis muaj txojhluas nqus kom lub kaus ntawd qhib vim txog caij lawv poob los yuav txog rau hauv av. Twv saib, muaj dabtsi tshwmsim? (*Cia lawv teb*) Nws poob thiab tuag vim nws hnovqab koj lub

parachute rau qhov nws txojkev cia siab heevduas rau txojkev yeesduab nws hnovqab txog yam uas tseemceeb uas yuavtsum tau koj lub parachute ntawd thiaj li yuav cawm tau nws thaum nws dhia los rau hauv av. **(Show John 14:6)**



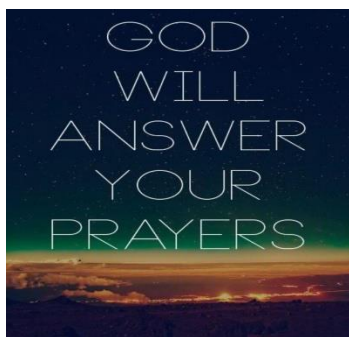
Peb txojkev ntseeg zoo sisthoj li no thiab. Yog peb ntseeg thiab cia siab rau ntiajteb txojkev heevduas es tsis muaj kev ntseeg kev cia siab rau peb tus Cawmseej Tswv Yexus Khetos, ces ntawm peb sab ntsujplig los yuav poob mus rau ntujtagw teb. Yexus tibleeg xwb thiaj li yog txojkev, yog qhovtseeb, thiab yog txojhia (Yauhas 14:6)

III. Yexus cov thwjtim nug Yexus haistias, **(Show Luke 17:5)**



"Increase our faith!" - *"Thov koj pab kom peb muab siab rau ntseeg ntxiv."* (Lukas 17:5) Koj thiab kuv los yeej tseem nug Vajtswv kom koj muaj kev ntseeg ntxiv. Yexus teb li cas. Yexus haistias, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you - *"Yog nej muaj kev ntseeg luaj li lub noob zaub, nej yuav hais rau tsob ntoo zaubkab no haistias, 'Koj cia li rho hlo mus cog rau hauv hiavtxwv,' ces tsob ntoo zaubkab ntawd yuav mloog nej hais."* (Lukas 17:6)

Cov kwvtij, txawm yog koj muaj kev ntseeg me xwb los ntawd yog kev ntseeg. Tiamsis qhovtseeb tiag koj yuavtsum cia siab rau koj txojkev ntseeg ntawd. **(Show God will answer your prayer)**

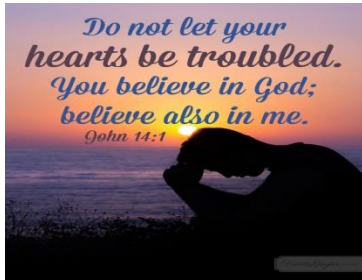


Yog koj haistias, "Vajtswv thov kom kuv tus mob zoo – tiamsis koj twb tsis cia siab rau Vajtswv, koj qhov mob yuav ua li cas zoo. Yog koj cia siab thiab ntseeg tseeb tiag thiab yog koj thov Vajtswv lawm, nws yuav hnov, mloog, thiab teb koj tej lus thov." Yog koj tsis ntseeg thiab cia siab, ces txawm koj thov npaum li cas los koj txojkev ntseeg ntawd yuav tsis tau li Vajtswv pom zoo vim koj twb tsis ntseeg. Yog koj mob siab rau ntseeg tiag uas yog txaussiab hlo muab koj lub neej cob rau Vajtswv uas tus tswjhwm lawv li Vajtswv pom zoo, Nws yeej yuav pub lawv li tej lus uas koj thov los ntawm koj txojkev ntseeg thiab cia siab. **(Show bomb)**

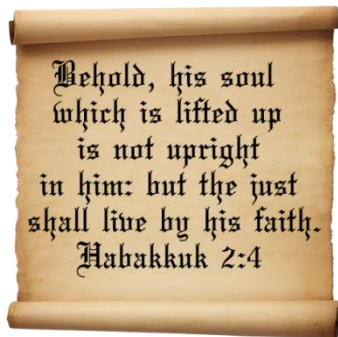


Thaum WWII muaj ib ib lub bomb – nplaum yas tuaj raug ib lub tsev. Leejtxiv tuav nws tus tub txhaistes thiab dhia mus nkaum sab nraud. Outside muaj ib lub qhov uas cov bomb xub raug uantej thiab tob tsawv. Yog li ntawd leejtxiv xav zoj haistias, yuav kom nkawd tsis txhob raug tej bomb ntawd, ces cia nkawd dhia mus nkaum hauv lub qhov ntawd. Leejtxiv dhia mus uantej thiab tsa nws ob txhaistes kom nws tus tub dhia los rau hauv lub qhov ntawd. Tiamsis tus menyuam ntshai

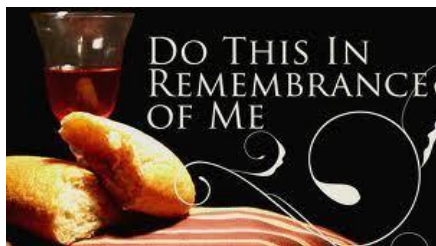
heev thiab qw nrov nrov haistias, "I can't see you! – Kuv tsis pom koj!" Txawm smoke all over uas leejtxiv tsuas pom nws tus tub tseemtsawv xwb los leejtxiv hu nws tus tub haistias, "But I can see you. Jump!" – Tiamsis kuv twb pom koj. Cia li dhia!" Tus metub dhia plaws mus rau ntawm leejtxiv vim nws cia siab rau nws txiv. (Show John 14:1)



Cov kwvtij, peb txojkev ntseeg kev cia siab uas peb muaj siab rau ntseeg ntxiv yog peb cia siab rau peb Leejtxiv tus uas nyob saum ntuj ceebtsheej tseem niajnub tsonkwm peb tsis tseg. Txawm peb yuav ntsib kev nyuajsiab, kev teebmeem nrog rau kev tuag npaum li cas hauv ntiajtec no los, txawm haistias, peb tsis pom nws timntsej timmuag los, peb tus Tswv yeej coglus haistias, "Do not let your hearts be trouble. Trust in God, trust also in me – *Nej tsis txhob txhawj thiab nyuajsiab. Cia siab rau Vajtswv, thiab cia siab rau kuv.*" (Yauhaas 14:1) (Show Habakkuk 2:4)



Vajtswv haistias, "The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged – *Tus Tswv mus uantej koj thiab nrognraim koj, nws yuav tsis ncaim koj thiab tso koj tseg li.*" (Deuteronomy 31:8) Peb qhov Old Testament Hapakus 2:4 sau haistias, "...the righteous will live by his faith – *tus ncajnrees yuav ua lub neej los ntawm txojkev ntseeg.*" Tus uas muaj kev ncajnrees sibraug zoo nrog tus Tswv lawm, txawm nws yuav ntsib kev dabtsi los raug rau nws lub neej los nws yuav tsis muaj kev txhawj kev ntshai vim nws cia siab rau Tswv Yexus Khetos lawm. (Show do this in remembrance of me)



Hnubno koj yuav los txais tus Tswv Roojmov, cia koj nco ntsoov haistias, tsis yog koj muaj tau kev ntseeg ntxiv tiamsis Vajtswv hu koj los muaj kev ntseeg ntxiv kom koj yuav niajnub nco txog haistias, "This do In remembrance of me – *Ua li no nco ntsoov kuv.*" Vim Yexus yog tus "Author and perfecter of our faith – *peb lub hauvpaus kev ntseeg thiab ua kom peb kev ntseeg tiav.*" (Henplais 12:2) Asmees.

Thov kom Vajtswv txojlus pub rau peb sawvdaws totaub thiab tau nyob kajsiaib lug rau ntawm Tswv Yexus Khetos lub npe. Peb txhuatus uas yog Vajtswv cov menyuam, peb sawvdaws hais: Asmees.

Children Message

Exercise Your Faith



Theme: Mustard seed faith. Little is much when God is in it.
Object: A jar of jelly (or something similar) and a hand exerciser or a rubber ball to squeeze.
Scripture: “The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith!” And the Lord said, “If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.” (Luke 17:5-6, ESV).

How many of you think that you are strong? (*Let them answer*) One day I took a jar of jelly out of the cabinet and tried to open it. (*Show them the Jelly Jar*) I tried and tried to open the jar, but my hands just weren't strong enough to hold the jar tightly and turn the lid. It is a little embarrassing to try to open a jar and not be able to do it, so I decided that I needed to increase the strength in my hands. I got this hand exerciser to help me. (*Show them the hand exercise*) You have probably seen one of these. You just squeeze the two sides together, like this. If you don't have one of these, you can do the same type of exercise by squeezing a rubber ball. (*Show them the hand exercise rubber ball*) By doing these exercises every day, my hands will surely be strong enough to open a jar of jelly. It doesn't take a huge amount of strength to open a jar of jelly, does it? No, if you just have a little strength, that will be enough.

How many of you know what faith is? (*Let them answer*) Faith is trusting in God and depending on him. Faith is like a muscle, if you exercise your faith every day, it will become stronger. We are sometimes very quick to say that we have faith in God. We say that we believe that He can do anything, but then we act as if everything depends on us. That isn't a very strong faith, is it?

One day, Jesus was teaching his disciples about the importance of forgiving others. He told them that even if someone sins against you seven times a day, you must forgive them every time. The disciples thought that would be a very hard thing to do, so they said to Jesus, “Show us how to increase our faith.” Jesus answered them, “If you had faith, even as small as a mustard seed, then you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and be planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.” (*Show them a mustard seed*)

Wow, that is amazing faith, isn't it? Do you know why that is possible? It is because God's power doesn't depend on our strength. It all depends on him! There is a song that we sing that says it all. “#157 *Vajtswv Nws Muaj Hwjchim Ua Ib Puas Tsav Yam* – God Has the Power to Do Everything.” All we need is a little bit of faith! God came to earth to save you and I, a sinner. God give us faith in Jesus Christ so that we can have eternal life. The Holy Spirit will help us to have faith in God. Let us keep our faith in Jesus. Amen.

Prayer: Dear Lord, help us to exercise our faith each day, but also help us to remember that your strength is enough for anything we need. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

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