

FAITH ON DISPLAY

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Job1:8-12

There will be moments when God will display your faith to the public. When God puts your faith on display He will place you in the spotlight for **OTHER PEOPLE** to **SEE** how you trust God. This is when your trials, tests and problems become visible for the public to critique. This is a very uncomfortable place to be in, yet necessary.

Faith on display is about being a pawn in God's game of chess. God displays your faith for the benefit of building **OTHER PEOPLE'S** faith. When the Lord can trust you to be committed to Him despite what comes against you He will use you as an example to **TEACH OTHERS** how to believe.

JOB'S SPOTLIGHT

Job 1: 8-12 says, "Then the Lord said to Satan, "Have you noticed my servant Job? No one else on earth is like him. He is an honest and innocent man, honoring God and staying away from evil."

You have put a wall around him, his family, and everything he owns. You have blessed the things he has done. His flocks and herds are so large they almost cover the land.

But reach out your hand and destroy everything he has, and he will curse you to your face." The Lord said to Satan, "All right, then. Everything Job has is in your power, but you must not touch Job himself." Then Satan left the Lord's presence."

Job's trouble was not a private issue, it was a public display. Job was criticized and highly misunderstood. Despite the naysayers the Lord knew the strength of Job's faith.

However, the devil did not know how stable Job's faith was in God. The devil thought Job's faith was based on what God was doing for him. The enemy concluded that Job's faith was superficial.

God wanted to show the enemy the strength of Job's faith. In addition to that, He wanted to reveal His glory through Job. When your faith is on display the Lord is using you as a **SYMBOL** of victory, triumph, loyalty and righteousness.

A display is a model of exposure. When you go to the mall and you see a mannequin modeling clothes the purpose of the mannequin is to entice people to buy the clothes. When God puts your faith on display His intent is to influence other people to trust Him through hardships, obstacles and trying circumstances.

When people **SEE** your positive attitude during a hard time it will bring glory to God. When people **SEE** your righteous disposition during a moment of temptation it

will bring glory to God. When people **SEE** your persistency during a challenging circumstance it will bring glory to God.

WHEN YOUR LIGHT SHINES IN THE MIDST OF DARKNESS GOD IS GLORIFIED!

Everything Job went through brought glory to God. Job was discouraged, angry, depressed and heartbroken during his trial. However, he never lost his faith. The fact that Job was still standing on the integrity of the Lord despite all he been through speaks volumes.

Job's testimony tells the masses that you can make it through your storm. This is how God wants to use you. You are a walking billboard for the Lord. When you can smile during a storm God is exalted. When you can be at peace during a time of trouble God is exalted.

There will be a season in your life when your faith will be on display. God is going to showcase your faith to

influence others to trust Him. Remember, When your faith is on display, you are **NOT** on display.

People are watching how you **HANDLE** what is before you. They are not watching you. They are examining your **RELATIONSHIP** with God. They are not examining you. They are watching your **TRUST** in the Lord. They are not trusting in you.

The way you behave while on display will lead people toward King Jesus or away from King Jesus. God is using you to be a walking ministry message. When the Lord chooses people to display their faith they will **NEVER** fail because God will not choose someone who will tarnish His name.

As Kingdom citizens it is our duty to serve our King and to bring glory to His name. When your faith speaks louder than words your life will hold great significance to King Jesus.

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