

Chapter 1 : Fall Sermon Series: FaithWalking â€“ Hopewell Reformed Church

Faithwalking is a spiritual formation process where people are increasingly following the way of Jesus, experiencing ongoing transformation, and developing effective practices for missional living: serving the poor, the marginalized, and those in need; working for the common good; and restoring individuals, social systems, communities, and nations to God's intended design.

Two Kinds of Hope vs. This scenario would certainly be abnormal and that is why I conclude that the apostle is using hope with two contrasting definitions here. What kind of hope are you governed by? There are essentially two classes of people that exist in the world and both are governed by hope. This kind of hope is rooted entirely in the realm of only what is naturally possible. This is the kind of hope that Paul says Abraham was set against or believed contrary to. It is a spirit in the world that we must firmly stand against as we walk by faith. People like this can never change their environment or condition. They think things could never change. Instead of dictating to their surroundings, their surroundings dictate to them. Instead of reigning, they are governed by the very atmosphere of their past experiences, the present living conditions around them, and their bleak future perceptions. That is a person that speaks forth from the negative. Another word for this kind of hope is unbelief. Fear is faith working in the negative. Resigning to and expecting the bad is the definition of unbelief. There was no ground of hope in himself or in his human condition. His faith was a firm confidence in God as the one who determines the future according to what he has promised. Hope is an overflowing, abundant fountain of faith. Faith is to your spirit what belief is to your mind. These spirits may be manifested in your own thinking as well as in other people. People that operate by the spirit of unbelief or a religious spirit will oppose you. Paul here is highlighting the battle that raged in the mind of Abraham. It is important that you win because the kind of hope that underlies your faith will determine the direction and course of your life! Other verses with *elpidis* hope in Romans 5: And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what he already has? Abraham in Hope Believed vs. Therefore, we find the close relationship here as well as elsewhere between faith and hope. Hope can mean a lot of things â€” it is what we are believing God for, it is what he has promised us, it is the answer to our prayers, the fulfillment of his word. Hope is the very promise of God. Hope was the dreams of Joseph. Hope was the promise to Moses and then to Joshua that the promised land was theirs. Hope was the desire for sight to Bartimaeus. Faith, then, is the reality in the present of what we are sure God will do in the future regarding his promise, our hope. If you can see it, smell it, taste it or touch it in the natural, you have no need for faith because faith is the reality of something that does not exist yet. It is hope that fuels faith. Faith springs from hope. Faith is a present response, most often against circumstances and events which directly oppose the fulfillment of the promise. Faith celebrates now the reality of future blessings regardless of natural conditions that say otherwise. In Romans 4, hope is that which God spoke and promised to Abraham. Do you have a hope from God? God wills that you overflow with hope! When you have hope, you have purpose. This is hope and this is future. This kind of hope releases the power of faith that enables one to exhibit stability in the presence of hostility. What You Believe, You Become vs. You have to hear from God so clearly. You have to have a hope. It may start out in your spirit so small and uncertain. Yet, as you press into God and begin to feed your faith the word of God, the assurance of faith comes and your vision increases in clarity. Also, Jesus himself is working actively with you to strengthen your faith, to keep you focused upon him. Facing the Facts vs. God does not become worried and full of anxiety after reviewing the facts of your situation. Neither was Abraham fearful after reviewing the facts of his case. Look at Genesis This is what his senses told his natural mind â€” that it was hopeless for the promise to be fulfilled by anything man could do. Abraham fully took into account all the factors of his situation. Sick faith is caused by reliance upon a fearful, uncertain, natural hope that is circumstantially driven and not faith driven. His faith did not become sick! Faith is weak when it allows itself to be determined by or depended upon what lies within human power. If faith depends in any degree on what man can do, it is not the faith of Abraham. Faith is strong when it looks solely to God and does not depend upon human possibilities. Who is led into sin, and I do not inwardly burn? Not Wavering through Unbelief vs.

We all have a measure of faith, but is it a sick faith, or misplaced faith – faith in your own ability and strength, or is it a wavering faith? Strengthened in His Faith vs. His reliance upon God became stronger. When walking by faith, you will encounter resistance and face the suffocating pressure of circumstances that directly oppose your faith and the promise God gave you. Everything will come against your faith! You have reached the breaking point where many lose their hold on faith. Will you waver or become even stronger? Each time you fight for your faith, your faith becomes even stronger. Hold on to faith – the devil meant it for your harm to steal your faith; God meant it for your good to strengthen your faith. His reliance grew even stronger in God. His faith enabled him to go on when everything else within and without wanted him to quit. Gave Glory to God vs. It is faith that brings commendation from God. It is faith that brings the favor of God over your life. God will bear witness to your faith and commend you for believing upon his word and holding onto that word until it is fulfilled. Faith brings delight to the heart of God. Abraham did not waver by unbelief, but was empowered by faith. God does not glory in unbelief, but in faith. Your demonstration of faith glorifies God. Your demonstration of faith is the proper response to God – it is what God always intended for man beginning in the garden. It is to be fully assured. Faith is being sure of what we hope for. Faith is being certain of what we do not see. So then, something happens within to create the reality of something inside the spirit that does not yet exist on the outside. This is how Noah could build an ark. He was warned about things not yet seen and acted with holy fear to build an ark and save his family. He obeyed and went even though he did not know where he was going. Faith on the inside is fully convinced of the reality of what the word of God declares shall be. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. We do not want you to become lazy, but to imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised. When Abraham laughed at his own inability to procreate a son, he was not reproved. Yet when Sarah laughs, her underlying unbelief invokes a response from God. I will return to you at the appointed time next year and Sarah will have a son. Look at Hebrews

Chapter 2 : Faithwalking Media

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News and stories of personal and community transformation in Greater Houston. In the Spring of Mission Houston took the bold step of giving our word to the transformation of the public schools. This declaration grew out of two beliefs. Second, we believe that restoring public schools will touch every other sector of society. The purpose of this letter is to report progress to you and to describe an important next step that we are taking in order to keep our word regarding the transformation of the public schools. The WHCI is beginning its second year. As you can see in the chart provided, there is significant initial momentum. We believe that the answer is by developing missional leaders. Persevering leadership is the first and most common principle drawn from global stories of city transformation. For more than a decade, Mission Houston has served the Body of Christ in this city by being a persistent voice for transformation. Faithwalking is the leadership development arm of Mission Houston. We develop leaders who are particularly skilled in city transformation principles and practices. The goal is to develop leaders who mobilize the Body of Christ into missional communities for service to the common good. Though not all missional communities will focus on the public schools, a great many will. We believe that the nature and scope of this goal – which will become our primary focus - will impact the spiritual climate of our city, specifically in our public schools dramatically. We are committed to holding ourselves accountable for this goal to God and to you - our intercessors, our donors, and our volunteers for achieving this goal. As we take these next steps forward, we need you to pray, we need you to volunteer, and we need you to give. On that front, there is some very good news. Consider making an on-line donation to Mission Houston. Will Mission Houston still hold prayer and unity as core values? In the Faithwalking training, these values are embodied and taught. In the existing missional communities, there are more tangible demonstrations of protracted servant-focused unity than any other place in our work. And we will continue to partner with prayer ministries across the city that are mobilizing prayer for the transformation of the city. We are committed to the transformation of the educational sector. We gave our word to that because we believe that this is a pivotal sector that the Body of Christ must serve. We will continue to deploy leaders who complete Faithwalking into the educational sector. The 4Ms of the Initiative mentors, mobilizing prayer, money, and makeovers are an important piece of our commitment to the sector. But they are a part of the initiative – not the whole. In the early part of our Board and staff will review progress with the 4Ms. Describe the Faithwalking training? Faithwalking is a three-part process. First there is a three day weekend retreat. Second there is a 24 week small group process designed to help participants integrate the learning from the retreat into their key relationships. In part two each participant has a personal transformation coach. At the end of the second part, participants are asked to launch a new missional community or join an existing one. Each community has a community coach. Who should sign up for Faithwalking? Everyone who, by faith, wants to risk living more missionally with a community of family or friends. One common mistake is that only those highly adventurous risk takers should sign up. Whether you risk starting a missional community in a high risk neighborhood or whether you join a missional community in your office building, you are encouraged to be a part of this journey. What is a missional community? A small group of people who are deeply connected to each other and share the mission of measurably the Kingdom of God in a neighborhood or workplace. Where are the existing missional communities? Listed at the end of this document. He will continue to be intimately involved. Jim is our founding executive director and has served as the Chairman of the Board since our inception. Jim will continue as a lifetime member of the Board of Directors and he will take primary leadership for the design and implementation of the Faithwalking curriculum.

Chapter 3 : The Fellowship: Faithwalking

As one of the premier rare book sites on the Internet, Alibris has thousands of rare books, first editions, and signed books available. With one of the largest book inventories in the world, find the book you are looking for. To help, we provided some of our favorites. With an active marketplace of.

Missional Marriage provides four one-day events a year where couples are challenged to deepen the principles of Faithwalking in their marriage and "try on" what missional living would look like for them as individuals and as a couple. Each event covers a different topic and couples can attend any or all of them. What happens at Missional Marriage? Missional Marriage follows a rhythm similar to a Faithwalking retreat. Each Missional Marriage event is shaped by a different Faithwalking principle and includes teaching, couple time, solitude, and large group discussion. Lunch is provided along with a couple of breaks during our time together. All of this happens in a safe space of fun and learning with other couples who are on the same transformative journey. What if neither of us have done a Faithwalking Retreat? We will review the basic concepts so that you will have a clear understanding of the Faithwalking language. Is Missional Marriage for us? The concepts and skills that we address in Missional Marriage are useful to any couple. Our desire is to help you listen to God and to each other in some new ways, not to force missional living. How can Missional Marriage help my relationship? Simply carving out time to focus on your marriage can make a big difference! In Missional Marriage, we give you a chance to consider new ideas, learn new skills, share more deeply with each other, and listen to the stories of other couples who are on the same transformative journey. What if my marriage is in trouble? If you and your spouse are not able to sit and have a civil conversation, then Missional Marriage is not for you at this time. Why did you switch to the new one-day format? We recognized that getting away for part of one day is far easier for couples than getting away for three full days for a weekend retreat. Our hope is that this new format makes the experience accessible for more people.

Chapter 4 : Healthy Missional Leaders Will Change Your Church | The Network

This fall, Faithwalking will be offering its first open course, "Creating Wholeness with Our Families of Origin." Below you can read and watch some of the testimonies of those who participated in the beta group for this class.

Chapter 5 : BBC Radio 4 - In Our Time - Archive

The Faithwalking Core Four is designed to walk you through a personal transformation journey that includes practices in spiritual formation, inner healing, emotional maturity, and missional living. We believe that our work in personal transformation clears space for us to effectively get on mission with God in the world.

Chapter 6 : Faithwalking News:

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Chapter 7 : The Fellowship: Faithwalking

Friends, we have room for more in our FW class beginning Oct. 30th. It will meet online every other Tuesday from pm Central Time for 12 sessions and will be facilitated by Marcos Leon.

Chapter 8 : Faithwalking on Vimeo

Faithwalking is the beginning of your spiritual formation process. During participants hear presentations about being fully

human and fully alive according to God's design and how that makes a difference in their world.