

# **The nature of faith - praying effectively**

**"However, when the Son of Man  
comes, will He find faith on the  
earth?"  
(Luke 18:8b)**

# Faith is essential

- And without faith it is impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and *that* He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.
- (Heb 11:6)
- **BUT MY RIGHTEOUS ONE SHALL LIVE BY FAITH; AND IF HE SHRINKS BACK, MY SOUL HAS NO PLEASURE IN HIM. But we are not of those who shrink back to destruction, but of those who have faith to the preserving of the soul. Now faith is the assurance of *things* hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.**
- (Heb 10:38- 11:1)

# Lessons in Luke 19

- for I was afraid of you, because you are an exacting man; you take up what you did not lay down and reap what you did not sow.' "He \*said to him, 'By your own words I will judge you, you worthless slave. Did you know that I am an exacting man, taking up what I did not lay down and reaping what I did not sow?
- (Luk 19:21-22)
- saying to them, "It is written, 'AND MY HOUSE SHALL BE A HOUSE OF PRAYER,' but you have made it a ROBBERS' DEN."
- (Luk 19:46)

# Expectation in the one who is always good

- **And Jesus cried out and said, "He who believes in Me, does not believe in Me but in Him who sent Me.**
- **(Joh 12:44)**
- **"Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me.**
- **(Joh 14:1b)**
- **He who has seen Me has seen the Father;**
- **(Joh 14:9b)**

# Praying with faith

- **Bless because He loves and wants to save** – Jn 3v16, Luke 6v28
- **Pray in agreement** – Matt 18v19
- **Pray with authority** – Matt 28v18, Eph 3v10
- **Pray with persistence** – Luke 11v8

## Reach for the impossible with Him

- **Mat 19:26** And looking at *them* Jesus said to them, "With people this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."
- **Mar 9:23** And Jesus said to him, " 'If You can?' All things are possible to him who believes."
- **Mar 10:27** Looking at them, Jesus \*said, "With people it is impossible, but not with God; for all things are possible with God."