

The Power of Faith

The power of faith is unmeasurable and unfathomable. The simple power of faith can leave people *"filled with amazement and astonishment"* Acts 3:10.

The strength of one's faith is not seen in how often you attend Church, or how many times you pray the Rosary but rather in the ways you love each other. It is the selfless giving of yourself without expecting anything in return.

Faith that is kept to one's self is not faith at all, for faith must be shared, it must flow from your heart, and it must be put into action. Faith in action is the only way that faith can exist. Faith does not come from our action, it comes from God through our actions, through our words and through prayer. *"...the Gospel preached by me is not of human origin. For I did not receive it from a human being, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ."* Galatians 1:11-12.

"Everything is possible to one who has faith." Pope Francis

The greatest example of faith is when you are unaware that anyone is even watching you. Mother Teresa is a great example of this; day after day she tended to those in need, not caring if anyone ever saw what she was doing and yet it grabbed the attention of the world. This is the power of faith in action. *"Love begins at home, and it is not how much we do... but how much love we put in that action"*

"Amen I say to you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there', and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you." Matthew 17:20

"The Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the proclamation might be completed..." 2Timothy 4:17

Just as Jesus said, nothing is impossible for one who has faith, so it is also true that anything is possible for one who has faith. World peace is not far off or in many years to come, it begins with your faith. That the poor should be welcomed and fed, sheltered and given a chance, isn't no pipe dream for one whose faith be only but the size of a pin point.

Faith does not come in heroic deeds or mighty words, but it is born of simple love and is allowed to grow through our actions. It doesn't always take great faith to act, sometimes great faith is born from the simplest act of love.

Jesus,

create in me faith that is unending, unwavering and unimaginable.

Strengthen my faith beyond my weakness, and beyond my doubt.

Awaken my soul from the lies of this world.

Refresh my heart and wash away all stain of sin.

May I forever be an agent of mercy, a keeper of peace, and servant of love.

Amen