KIDS MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS_ 05 January 2020-Preparation, Celebration, Separation for Integration_Ps John Bendixen (JHB)

Happy Feet: Like Pastor John, I put my "happy feet" on because I am healthy strong and blessed.





Experiencing God in my natural world: How much must God be in your natural life to prove to you that He is God? God is Spirit and Truth and He's going to touch my life first in spirit and truth before He touches my world in the natural. So how much must God be part of your natural world in order for you to really believe that He's God?

Thomas: After three and a half years with Jesus, Thomas saw many miracles Jesus did, he even saw Jesus raise people from the dead. When Peter and the other disciples told him Jesus has been resurrected from the dead, Thomas refused to believe it unless he saw. The enemy was putting doubt into his mind. *Jesus appears through a closed door. He says, "Thomas, I believe you have some doubts about Me. You want to touch Me? It's Me. Here are the marks in my hands and the wound in My side. Here I am Thomas." "Sorry, Lord. Sorry, Lord." Too late, Thomas. Where's your faith?*

<u>READ</u>: Ephesians 6:10-13 (NKJV), My fight is not against people (flesh and blood), my fight is against principalities and powers, rulers of darkness and spiritual forces.

<u>I don't allow strife (fighting):</u> The Bible says ¹⁶Where there is strife, all manner of evil abounds (James 3:16). I base my relationships (with my parents, siblings, family, friends...) on the Word and don't get into strife. If disagreements, fights or differences of opinion start, I choose to keep quiet because the relationship is more important than allowing evil. My difference with the other person is not just a "human thing" there's a demonic dark force that's causing me to be disobedient to the Word.





Believe God in 2020: I take up the whole armour of God that I will be able to stand in the evil day and having done all, I stand. I continue to believe the truth, and say, *"In 2020 I'm going to believe the truth of God, His Word and what God says. I'm not going to believe what my natural man or the system of the world is telling me."*

Don't violate your conscience: The way I disturb my conscience is that I live my faith as a list of "do's and don'ts" - as a formula rather than as a living relationship with Jesus. The struggle is where I say, "I live by my faith," and then I let myself down. God says, "Hey, if you could do it by yourself you wouldn't need Me. Don't trust in yourself, trust in Me because you'll let yourself down." (1 Timothy 1:18-19 MSG).



<u>Using faith to overcome addiction / bad habits:</u> (Brynn wanted to quit smoking and he did it by using his faith. Every time he smoked he would say, *"Thank You, Lord, that smoking doesn't have a hold on me, I'm free of these cigarettes and I quit smoking in Jesus' Name."* After a month it seemed nothing had changed but he never stopped confessing. A few months down the line, he was completely free). Like Brynn, when I'm overcoming a bad habit, I don't put a time limit on it, I allow the Word to grow up and work in me. I don't doubt and quit until I have the victory. I'm a tither and a seed sower and I don't wait for God to show me a miracle and stop my confession. No, I keep going and keep the faith (2 Timothy 4:7).

Every day & Supernatural increase: 2020, I have an expectation that everyday something is going to happen. Supernatural increase is not just about money. It's about relationships, well-being, physical conditioning and many things and in everything that's in my life I can have supernatural increase, not just natural increase.

Sin: (Isaiah 59:19-20, MSG), How do I leave my sins? I've just got to believe in Jesus and His Word. Replace the word "Sabbath" with "everyday my Holy day" Isaiah 58:13-14 (MSG).