But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of those that diligently seek him. Heb. 11:6 (NJKV)

# How can unbelief hinder us?

The opposite of faith is doubt or unbelief

To worry is to doubt your God-Seek Him first (Matt. 6:25-34; \*John 14:1)

\*James 1:5-8-Don't waiver in your faith

Thomas-\*John 20:26-30; \*Mark 16:12-14

#### Two kinds of unbelief

One kind is accompanied by a desire to belief

(\*Mark 9:23-24)

The other kind is obstinate, hard-hearted refusal to belief -(Rom. 1:28; \*Titus 1:15-16)

This kind of unbelief hinders the supernatural work of God (\*Mark 6:2-6; Matt. 17:18-20)

What can assist us in gaining comfort in God's promises?

# UNBELIEF VS COMFORT IN HIS PROMISES Don't waiver, believe in His promises Have faith in God. With Him nothing is impossible

Exhort one another daily (\*Heb. 3:12-15) Watch what you think-As a man or woman thinks so is he or she.

Watch who you're listening to; Evil communication corrupts good manners Don't Forget His benefits

What are some consequences of unbelief?

Fear/Anxiety/Worry (\*Mark 4:40-41)

Miss God's promises

Prevent people from accepting Christ-Salvation

Miss heaven

Don't believe the truth

Don't respect God or His people

Miss your healing, deliverance etc.

(Matt. 13:54-58)

\*Heb. 10:38-39

Share some other scriptures about how individuals or we can lose out because unbelief

The Children of Israel could not enter the promise land because of unbelief (\*Heb. 3:17-19)

We want to enter into God's rest (\*Heb. 4:1, 11)

We need to be careful. Don't let unbelief harden your heart (\*II Pet. 3:16-17)

## Warnings about some that fell away because of unbelief

Some no longer have faith at all (II Thess. 3:2)

Some have shipwrecked their faith (I Tim. 1:19-20)

Some have left the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of devils (they rather believe a lie-than the Word of God)-

(I Tim. 4:1)

Some have denied the faith by not providing for family (I Tim. 5:8)

Some have strayed concerning the faith and have taken heed to idle/profane babbling

(I Tim. 6:20-21)

Some will overthrow the faith of others (\*II Tim. 2: 16-18)

•Some are reprobate (disqualified) concerning the faith (\*II Tim. 3:8-9)

How can we stop unbelief from coming into to our lives?

#### How can we come against unbelief

We need to examine ourselves

(\*II Corin. 3:4-5)

Hold fast to our Salvation

Salvation is a faith walk not a cake walk

Each of us has a cross to bear and an enemy that fights us. (Matt. 16:24)

Take heed, lest you fall (\*I Corin. 10:11-12)

A Faithful Saying: \*II Tim. 2:11-13

### Next Week

► Healthy Christian Session