

The Word

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I. Introduction.

A. It is possible for us to be involved in orthodox activity but to draw back from God—being dishonest with God. (Matthew 15:8-9)

B. If it is not honest, it is not worship.

II. Three characteristics of the world we live in.

A. Speed. (II Timothy 3:10)

B. Relativism. (Proverbs 13:10)

C. Materialism. (II Peter 1:3-4)

III. There is an enormous gap between what we hear from others and our own personal experience answered by a couple of keys.

A. Faith. (Hebrews 11; 4:2)

1. Faith consists of prayer and obedience. (Exodus 17:11)

2. Faith is asking. (I John 1:9, Isaiah 43:29, II Chronicles 6:17)

3. Faith is an act of the will.

B. Claiming promises.

1. We need to have a set of passages for which we are praying. (I John 2:15-16)

2. We need promises as a partner, person and a parent. (Isaiah 54:13, Philippians 2:22)

Application questions:

1. How is II Peter 1:3-4 an answer to materialism?

2. What is faith?

3. What are some promises you can claim for your life, family and ministry? Explain.
