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Understanding Faith Promise

Introduction

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Theme: An introduction to the concept of Faith Promise.

People: 2

Props: Bathroom stuff, makeup, bowl of water, shaving stuff etc.

Scene: Bob and Betty get ready for church in the bathroom. Betty is putting on makeup.

Bob: *(In robe, shaves looking towards audience as if looking in mirror.)*
Where's my new razor blade?

Betty: *(Off stage.)* It's right there where you always keep it, Dear.

Bob: No, this is only a twin blade; I want to use my new triple blade.

Betty: It's in the cabinet. What's wrong with the double blade? You only used it twice.

Bob: The triple blade cuts closer than the double blade...I think, and I want to look nice for church. Ouch!

Betty: *(Betty enters.)* So if they sold a quadruple blade, you'd buy that too?

Bob: They have a quadruple blade?

Betty: I said IF they sold one!

Bob: *(Relieved.)* Oh.

Betty: You're always trying something new.

Bob: It might be better. Ouch! Speaking of new, what did you think about the pastor's talk about the mission budget last week?

Betty: You mean that Faith Promise stuff?

Bob: Yeah.

Betty: I didn't understand it. Let me get this straight, we're supposed to write on a card how much we want to give based on how much we expect God to provide for us, they accept the cards, add them up and that's the budget.

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- Bob:** Uh-huh. Ouch! And the amount you promised by faith shouldn't be the amount you figured out you can afford, but is an amount you believe God will provide above and beyond your normal giving.
- Betty:** But, what if God doesn't provide it?
- Bob:** Well, you don't give it. Ouch!
- Betty:** But if you don't give it, the church will know.
- Bob:** No, they don't keep track of what you promised individually, what you promised by faith is between you and God. You're simply trusting God to provide that amount. If He doesn't provide it, then He doesn't expect you to give it.
- Betty:** So the church is going to base their budget on what I expect God to give me, and what everyone else thinks God's going to give them? That doesn't sound responsible.
- Bob:** Well, you're supposed to actually pray about the amount, and then exercise faith that He will provide
- Betty:** But that would require trusting God!
- Bob:** Wouldn't that be bizarre for a church to do. (*Stop shaving, start mending cuts.*)
- Betty:** Oh, stop it. You know what I mean! Missionaries are depending on this budget. Shouldn't this budget be based on something a little more concrete?
- Bob:** You mean more concrete than the prayers of God's people?
- Betty:** (*Pause, Betty goes to Bob.*) They're really serious, aren't they.
- Bob:** What?
- Betty:** In order to do this, you really have to believe that God answers prayer. And the church is really committing money to the missionaries based on faith that God is real, He answers prayer and will provide.
- Bob:** Sure. How do I look? (*Face filled with tissue.*)
- Betty:** I don't think you can get a closer shave, Dear.
- Bob:** (*Exits stage.*) I hope the pastor's sermon doesn't go too long. I want to make it back in time for the game.

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Betty: Oh, you're not helping me in the garden?

Bob: *(Pause.)* Oh yeah, I forgot.

Betty: So how much are we going to give?

Bob: Give?

Betty: Yes, Faith Promise. How much are we going to commit to?

Bob: What, we can't afford what we give now! You want to give more?!

Betty: You said that the Faith Promise amount is what we are trusting God to give us above and beyond what we are giving now. That's why they call it "Faith" Promise.

Bob: *(Bob enters with shirt on.)* But now we're talking money here!

Betty: Aren't we supposed to turn in the cards next Sunday?

Bob: Hmm, I guess we need to be doing some praying this week.

Betty: Can't be any more painful than shaving.

Bob: Fine. I'm ready.

Betty: You're going to wear THAT shirt?

Bob: You always ask me that at the last minute!

Betty: *(Both begin exiting, conversation trails off)* No I don't.

Bob: Yes you do...

Betty: Are you going to argue with me all the way to church...again?

Bob: I'm not arguing!

Betty: Yes you are!

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