

A SCRIPTURAL STUDY GUIDE BY PASTOR MEL BOND

What to Do When Nothing Seems to Work

Introduction: If things we believe God for are not coming to pass, we must first know that *it is not God's fault!* Some place along the line, we have a gap that satan is getting through. As you study the book of Job, you will find that God had a hedge around Job to keep satan from getting to him in any respect. However, satan kept looking at Job's hedge until he found a gap. Because of fear, a gap was created, allowing satan to get to Job and cause the harm he did (Job 3:25). Fear is faith, confidence, and belief in defeat by the devil. God loves everyone as much as He loved Job, and we, too, have a hedge of God's protection around us. However, if we are experiencing defeat in any area of our life, we most definitely have a gap.

In this lesson, we will look at major gaps so we can close them and have victory.

Check:	Notes
<p>1. Your Own Life</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. What does Psalm 139:23 tell us to do?b. How can this passage help us to close a gap that may be in our life?c. How does Ephesians 4:23-32 help us to close a gap in our life?	
<p>2. Your Promise in God's Word</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. What scriptures do you believe for your need or desire?b. What does Jeremiah 1:12 teach us about the importance of having God's Word for a foundation of what we are believing for? (Note: God's Word and His Will are the same.)c. How does I John 5:14-15 help us to close the second possible gap?	
<p>3. Your Confession</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. How does Mark 11:23 and Proverbs 18:21 help us to close this gap?	
<p>4. The Arena in Which You Are Fighting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. If the devil ever gets you in the arena of reasoning and looking at your symptoms, he will defeat you every time. Stay in the arena of faith (of what God's Word says) and you will win every time.b. When do we have what God's Word says according to Hebrews 11:1? Please give an example.	

