

BECOMING A MAN OF FAITH

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→Do you have a working definition of 'FAITH'?

God is looking for men who model a faith that stretches and believes
in spite of overwhelming obstacles

→Caleb was this kind of man!

What does a man of faith look like?

1. HE SEES THE LORD WHILE OTHERS SEE THE OBSTACLES (13:30; 14:6-9)

FAITH

UNBELIEF

→FAITH begins with _____ and moves to the difficulties . . .
unbelief starts with the difficulties and then moves to _____

2. HE CHALLENGES OTHERS WITH A "WE CAN DO IT!" ATTITUDE (13:30)

→The bottom line is this: You and God make a _____!

3. HE ISN'T DISSUADED FROM HIS COURSE BECAUSE THE "MAJORITY" HOLDS
A DIFFERENT VIEW (14:1-10)

4. HE RECOGNIZES THAT FAITH PLEASES GOD AND GOD BLESSES THOSE WHO PLEASE HIM (14: 7-9)
cf Heb 11:6

SO WHAT? NOW WHAT? TAKING IT HOME

1. What are you afraid of? The failure of the stock market? Decline of your investments? Future bills and expenses that could drain your savings account? Reverses that could leave you destitute or penniless?
2. How does your view of God impact how you look at what MIGHT happen?
God is the answer. HE IS THERE . . . and . . . HE CARES... HE IS ENOUGH for whatever may come
3. You can fully trust Him...CHOOSE NOW, TODAY, TO TRUST HIM NO MATTER WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS
4. A Verse to memorize/meditate on:
Ps 34:9 O fear the Lord, you His saints; For to those who fear Him there is no want.

The New Living Translation says it this way:
“Fear the Lord, you his godly people,
for those who fear him will have all they need.”

A photograph of a person climbing a dark, vertical rock face. The climber is positioned in the lower-middle section of the frame, facing away from the camera. The rock is dark and textured, with some vertical fissures. The background is a solid black color.

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- **Dictionary:** complete trust or confidence in someone or something, something that is believed especially with strong conviction; firm belief in something for which there is no proof
- **Hebrews 11:1** “Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.”
- Forsaking All I Trust Him

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FAITH

- sees opportunities
- sees possibilities
- sees the size of God's power
- sees God's ability
- takes the risk
- says "we (God and me) can"

UNBELIEF

- sees obstacles
- sees problems
- sees the size of the challenge
- sees own inadequacy
- plays it safe
- says "I can't" ... or "it can't be done"

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- 4. Recognizes that faith pleases God and God blesses those who please Him**

Our world needs to see faith that works. . .

Becoming a person of faith . . .
a model of faith . . .

- Ask God to **increase your faith**
- Make it a habit to discover & claim **God's promises**
- Decide to face obstacles with a "**God and I can do it**" attitude
- Try taking some **small steps of faith** and asking God to prove Himself

Got any rivers
you think are uncrossable?
God any mountains
you can't tunnel through?

God specializes
in things thought impossible.
He does the things
others cannot do.

A photograph of a person climbing a dark, vertical rock face. The climber is positioned in the lower-middle section of the frame, facing away from the camera. The rock surface is textured and appears to be made of dark, possibly volcanic, stone. The lighting is somewhat dim, highlighting the textures of the rock and the climber's gear.

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