

→ So What? What do we learn from Jonathan's example?

1. God does not require great _____, large _____, exceptional _____ or _____ in order to accomplish His plans
2. Real faith is often substituted with reliance on _____ (Saul's mistake!!)
3. Real faith sees beyond _____ to see the _____ of God
4. Real faith acts and risks in spite of the _____
5. Real faith inspires others to take _____ and act while those closest to you often _____ your steps of faith
6. Real faith is seldom "group stuff" it's an _____

→ Now What?

1. Compare yourself to Jonathan: what is the _____ God wants YOU to _____?
2. What is God saying to you today?
 - Is there an _____ that He has placed you in?
 - Is there an impossible _____ or an incredibly _____ God is asking of you?
 - Is there a _____ he wants you to take?
3. Ask God to _____

"Time For A Faith Lift
#3 in our series: FAITH FORWARD
1 Samuel 13-14
Pastor Roy Halberg

→ THE BIG IDEA: The person of faith trusts God even in impossible situations

→ "It's amazing how many people say that they believe that God divided the Red Sea or raised Jesus from the dead but they don't have the faith to trust Him for this month's car payment" - Zig Ziglar

→ FAITH is our greatest need . . . and our toughest challenge . . .

→ I love the example of Jonathan . . . He knew to trust God for the "impossible"!

1. THE OBSTACLES HE FACED WERE RIDICULOUSLY IMPOSSIBLE

A. The strength of the _____ (13:2, 5—7; 19-22)

B. The weakness of _____ (14:2-3; 13:13-14)

C. The absence of _____ (14:3)

D. The physical _____ (14:4-5)

2. THE STRATEGY HE EMPLOYED INVOLVED GREAT RISK

A. Involved courage to do the _____ (14:1, 6 "let us cross over...")

B. Involved confidence in _____ (14:6)

C. Involved commitment from _____ (v7)

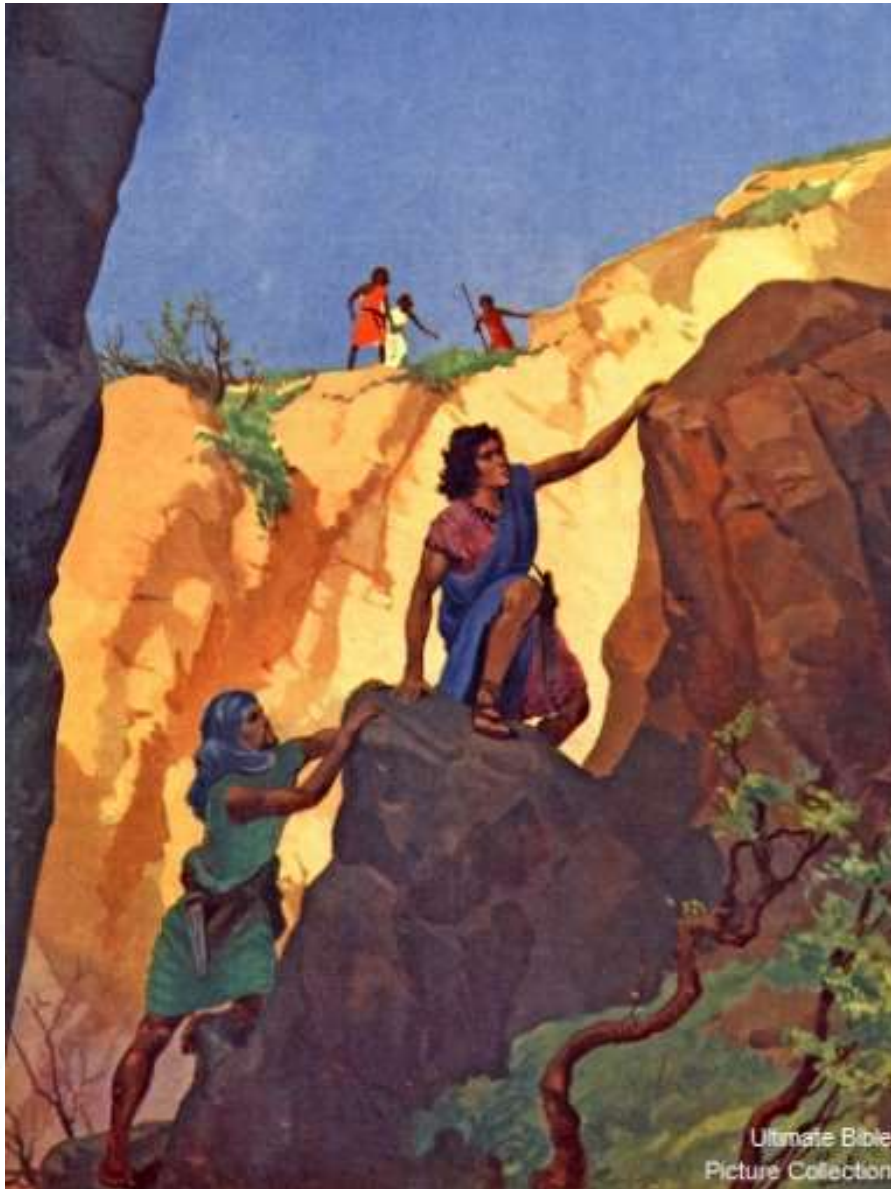
D. Involved confirmation from _____ (14:8-15)

3. THE SUCCESS HE EXPERIENCED WAS AMAZING

A. The reaction of the Philistines was _____ (14:12-13)

B. The routing of the entire Philistine army was _____ (14:14-20)

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“the LORD is not restrained to save by many or by few.”

1 Sam 14:6-7

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- 1. THE OBSTACLES HE FACED
WERE RIDICULOUSLY IMPOSSIBLE**
 - A. The strength of the enemy (13:2,5-7;19-22)**
 - B. The weakness of Saul (13:13-14; 14:2)**
 - C. The absence of word from the Lord (14:3)**
 - D. The physical difficulty (14:4-5)**





The garrison of the Philistines went out to The Pass of Michmash (1 Sam 13:23)

THE PASS

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2. THE STRATEGY HE EMPLOYED INVOLVED GREAT RISK

- A. Involved courage to do the impossible
(14:1, 6) “let us cross over...”**
- B. Involved confidence in His God (14:6)**
- C. Involved commitment from his servant
(v7)**
- D. Involved confirmation from God (14:8-15)**

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3. THE SUCCESS HE EXPERIENCED WAS AMAZING

- A. The reaction of the Philistines was what he'd hoped for (14:12-13)**
- B. The routing of the entire Philistine army was total (14:14-22)**

What do we learn from Jonathan's adventure and example?

- 1. God does not require great size, large numbers, exceptional skill or ability in order to accomplish His plans**
- 2. Real faith is often substituted with reliance on religious acts (Saul's mistake!!)**
- 3. Real faith sees beyond obstacles to see the power of God**

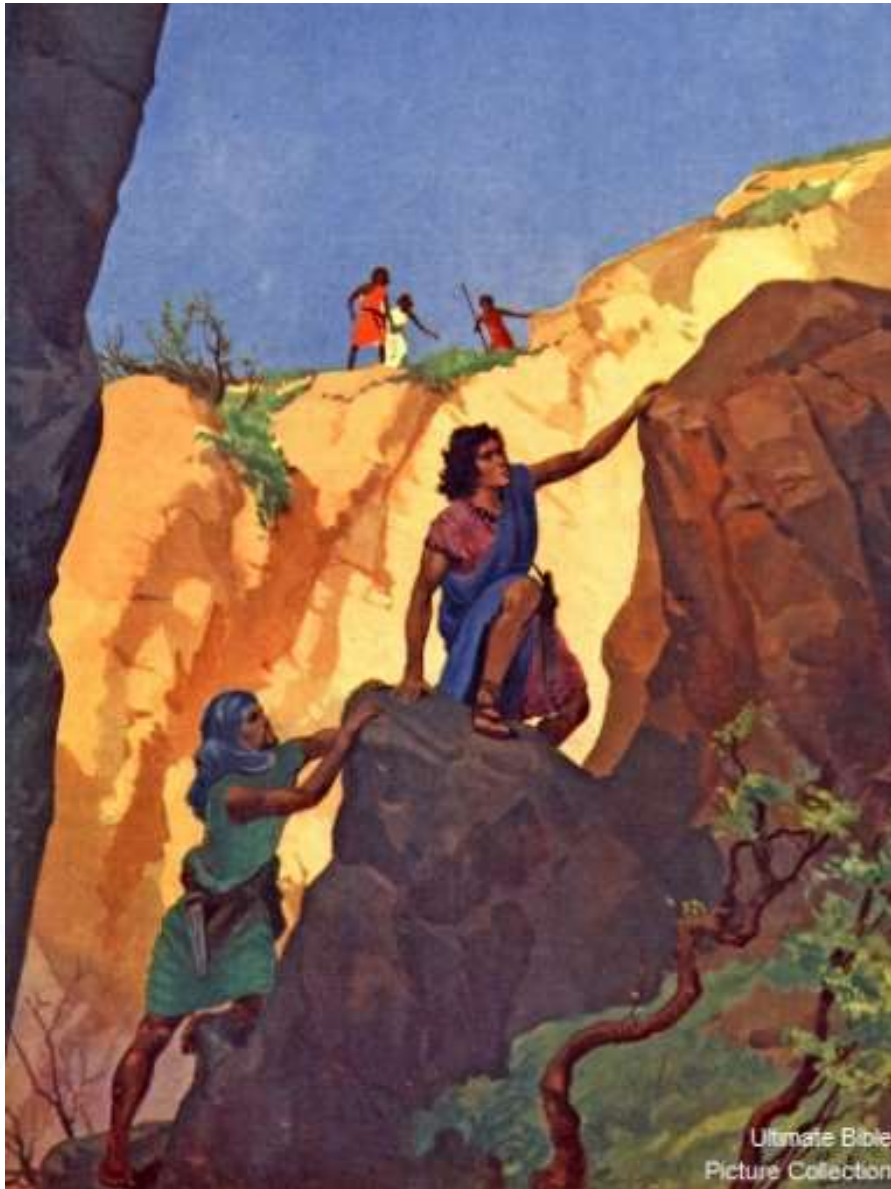
What do we learn from Jonathan's adventure and example?

- 4. Real faith acts and risks in spite of the odds**
- 5. Real faith inspires others to take courage and act while those closest to you often oppose your steps of faith**
- 6. Real faith is seldom "group stuff" its an individual thing**

Taking It Home!

1. Compare yourself to Jonathan . . . what is the lesson God wants YOU to learn?
2. What is God saying to YOU today?
 - Is there an impossible situation that He has placed you in?
 - Is there an impossible mission or an incredibly difficult task God is asking of you?
 - Is there a risk he wants you to take?
3. Ask God to increase your faith

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