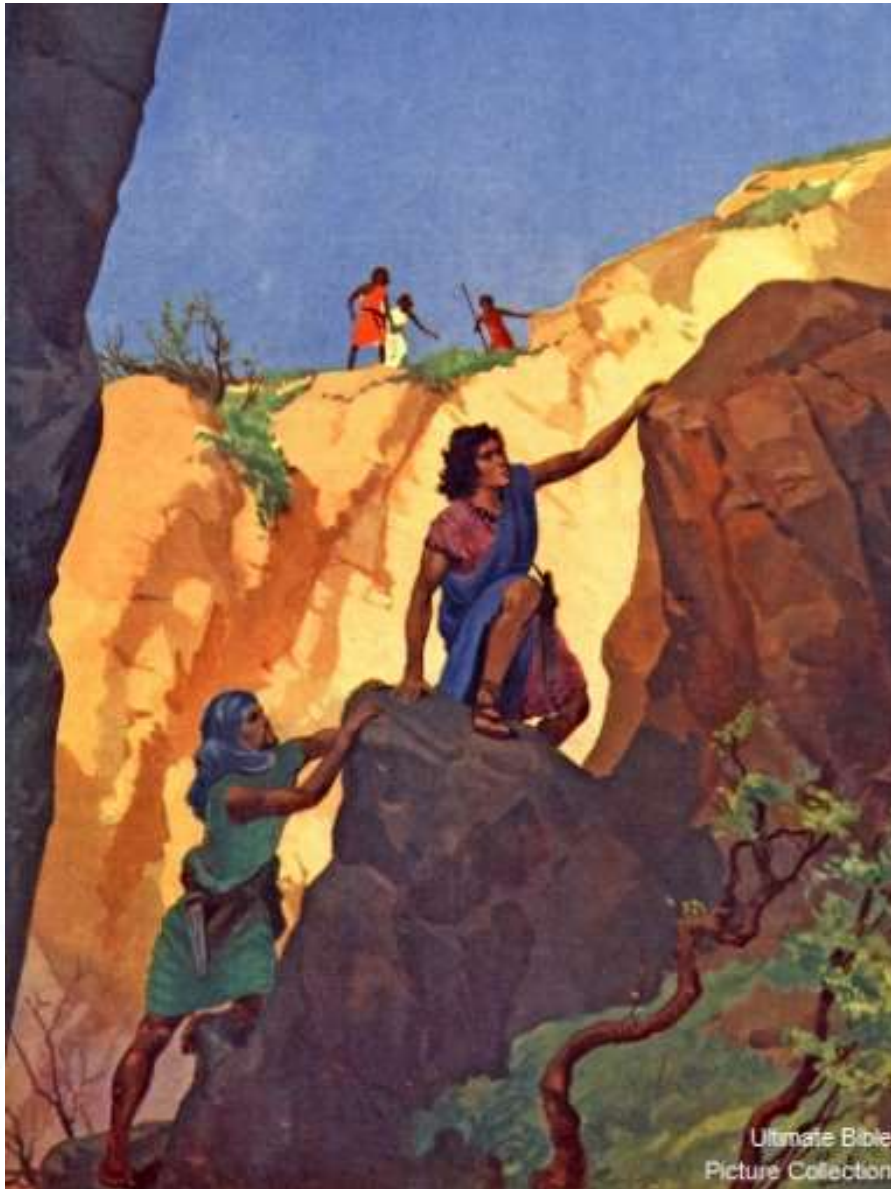


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- 1. THE OBSTACLES HE FACED
WERE RIDICULOUSLY IMPOSSIBLE**
 - A. The strength of the enemy (13:2,5-7;19-22)**
 - B. The weakness of Saul (13:13-14; 14:2)**
 - C. The absence of word from the Lord (14:3)**
 - D. The physical difficulty (14:4-5)**





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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**

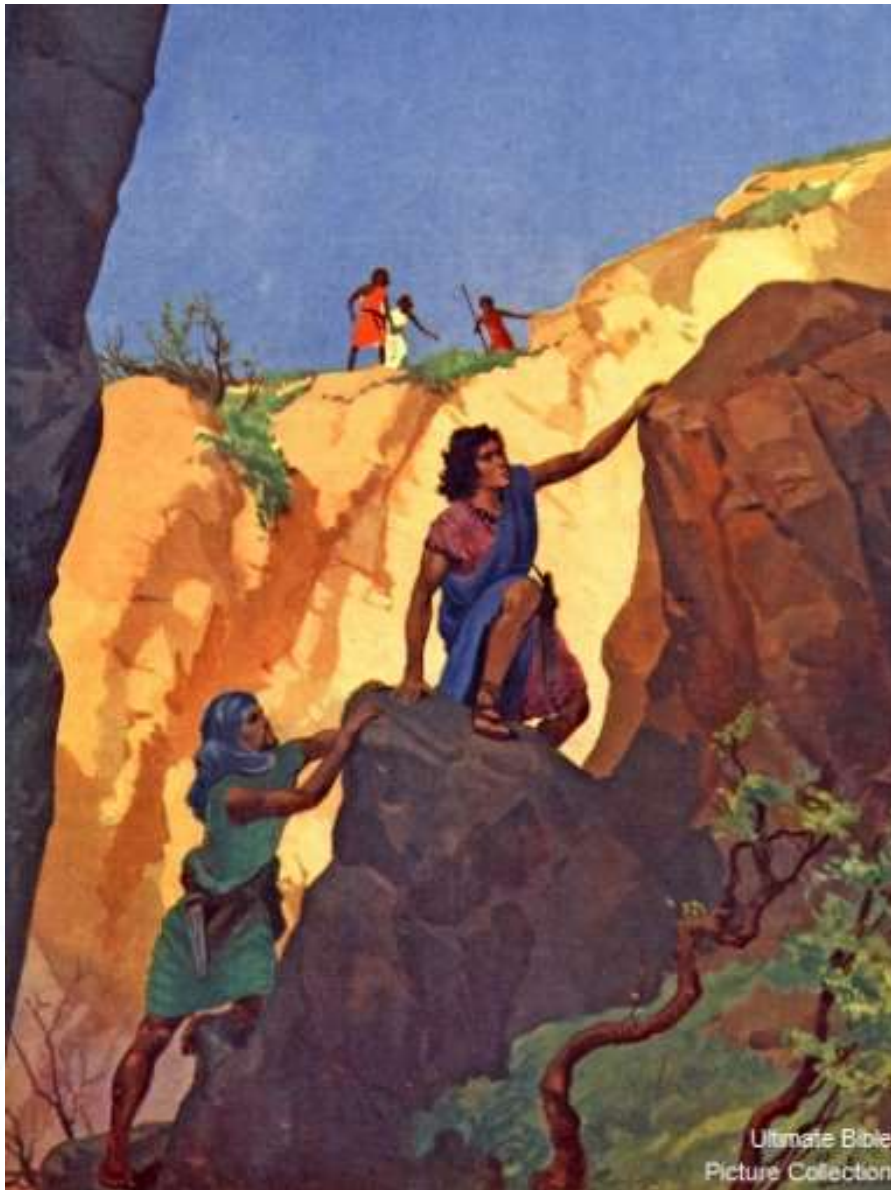
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- 4. Real faith acts and risks in spite of the odds**
- 5. Real faith inspires others to take courage and act while those closest to you often oppose your steps of faith**
- 6. Real faith is seldom "group stuff" its an individual thing**

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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