

Believing God

Power of Faith Message 11

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Outline

- *Now all glory to God, who is able, through His mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think.*

Ephesians 3:20 (NLT)

A. Introduction

(Hebrews 11:2,32a)

B. The power of faith is evident through...

(Hebrews 11:32-35a)

1. Diverse _____.

(Hebrews 11:32b. C/R: Judges 4-8; 11-16; 1-2 Samuel; Mark 6:5-6)

2. Difficult _____.

(Hebrews 11:33-35a. C/R: Joshua 21:45; 1 Kings 8:56; 2 Corinthians 10:4-5; 12:10)

3. Doubtful _____.

(2 Corinthians 1:20; Ephesians 3:20; Philippians 3:10; 2 Peter 1:4)

Answers: 1. people 2. problems 3. possibilities

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► Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to study the Bible and pursue a deeper relationship with God.

Conversation Starter

What is your typical daily routine?

Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Ask God to help you experience His love and hear His voice as you reflect on this week's lesson.

Personal Reflection/Group Discussion

Read [Hebrews 11:32-35](#).

1. List some of the amazing things these men and women were able to do as they put their trust in God. How do their actions demonstrate faith?
2. When you think of people in the Bible who exercised great faith, who are the first people who come to mind? What is it about their lives that inspires you?
3. We each have a unique role in God's story. How is your life contributing to God's work?
4. What are ways you keep your eyes on God and trust in Him throughout the week? (see also: [Colossians 3:1-4](#); [Hebrews 12:1-4](#))
5. If God were writing the Bible today, do you think He would include you in the list of men and women of great faith? Why or why not?
6. What significant steps of faith have you taken over the last few years? How did you know God wanted you to take those steps?

7. In what areas of your life have you wanted to live with greater faith, but you've been met with challenges? How can you move beyond these obstacles?
8. What impact would you love to make in the world, in the church or in someone else's life this year?

Read [Judges 13](#).

1. What did Samson do to become known as a man of great faith?
2. What were his failures?
3. What does the story of Samson teach you about living by faith?

Soul Training

Practice listening to God. Meditate on [Psalm 146](#), focusing on specific words and phrases. What stands out to you? Ask God to fill your mind with His thoughts, and wait for Him to speak.

Memory Verse

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Daily Reading

- Day 1: [2 Corinthians 1:12-22](#) Day 4: [Daniel 6:16-23](#)
Day 2: [Mark 6:1-13](#) Day 5: [1 Kings 8:54-61](#)
Day 3: [Joshua 21:41-45](#)

Prepare for Next Sunday

Sunday, September 6, we'll conclude the series *Believing God* with a closer look at persecution and living courageously without compromise. To prepare read [Hebrews 11:32-40](#) and [1 Peter 1:3-12](#).



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