

WALKING BY FAITH

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Summary:

This message explores the concept of having faith for the impossible and walking towards the vision God has given us. Emma emphasizes the importance of trusting God, remembering His faithfulness, declaring His victory, relying on His strength, and taking small, ordinary steps of obedience. The message encourages believers to persist in their faith journey, even when faced with challenges or mundane routines, and to constantly turn to God for guidance and strength.

Key Points:

- Trust in God's promises and vision for your life
- Remember God's past faithfulness to strengthen present faith
- Declare God's victory over your life and circumstances
- Rely on God's strength rather than your own
- Take small, ordinary steps of obedience towards the vision
- Don't let the mundane rob you of what God has promised
- Keep walking towards the vision, even when it seems impossible

Scripture Reference:

- Genesis 15:6 (Abraham's faith in God's promises)
- Proverbs 3:5-6 (Trust in the Lord with all your heart)
- John 10:10 (Jesus came to give life abundantly)
- Isaiah 40:31 (Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength)

Stories:

- Emma's childhood experience of God calling her to help people
- Abraham's journey of faith in leaving his home and believing God's promise
- Mary's trust and obedience in becoming the mother of Jesus
- David's declaration of faith before fighting Goliath
- Emma's personal journey of job searching and trusting God's timing
- Anecdote from the movie "Evan Almighty" about God providing opportunities to grow in faith

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

(For Individual Reflection)

How can we cultivate a deeper trust in God's promises, even when they seem impossible to achieve in our current circumstances?

In what ways has God been faithful to you in the past, and how can remembering those experiences strengthen your faith today?

How might declaring God's victory over your life change your perspective on current challenges or obstacles?

What does it mean to you personally to 'walk by faith' in your everyday life, and what practical steps can you take to live this out?

How can we balance having a big vision from God with taking small, faithful steps in our daily lives?

In what areas of your life do you need to rely more on God's strength rather than your own, and how might this shift your approach to challenges?

How does the story of Abraham's faith journey inspire or challenge you in your own walk with God?

What 'impossible' thing might God be calling you to believe for in your life or community right now?

How can we maintain faith and perseverance during the 'mundane' seasons of life, when we don't see immediate progress towards our vision?

In what ways might God be providing opportunities for you to grow in faith, patience, or courage through your current circumstances?

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SMALL GROUP GUIDE

Opening Prayer:

Pray the IMPACTERS prayer together as a group. Ask God to open your hearts and minds to His message and to guide your discussion.

Key Takeaways:

1. Faith for the impossible comes from our deepening relationship with Jesus.
2. We need to name and write down the vision God has given us.
3. Walking by faith means trusting God and moving towards His vision for our lives.
4. God's faithfulness in the past strengthens our faith for the present and future.
5. Declaring God's victory shifts our focus from struggles to His power.
6. Relying on God, not our own strength, is crucial in our faith journey.
7. Faith often involves small, ordinary steps of obedience rather than giant leaps.

Discussion Questions:

1. What is a vision or dream that God has placed on your heart? How does it seem impossible from your current perspective?
2. Emma mentioned writing down our vision. Have you done this? If not, what's holding you back?
3. Reflect on a time when God was faithful in your life. How does remembering this strengthen your faith today?
4. How can we practically "declare God's victory" in our daily lives? What difference might this make?
5. The message mentioned that "the greatest threat to our faith in the impossible is the mundane." How have you experienced this, and how can we combat it?
6. Think about a time when you had to rely completely on God. What did you learn from that experience?
7. Emma shared her journey of finding a job. How has God used seemingly small steps or setbacks in your life to prepare you for something bigger?

Practical Applications:

1. This week, write down the vision or dream you believe God has given you. Be specific and detailed.
2. Create a "faithfulness journal" where you record instances of God's faithfulness in your life. Add to it regularly and review it when facing challenges.
3. Choose a Bible verse about God's victory and commit to declaring it out loud each morning this week.
4. Identify one "mundane" task in your life and brainstorm ways to see God's presence in it.
5. Take some time to pray, asking God to show you the next small step of obedience in your faith journey.

Closing Prayer:

End the session by praying for each group member, asking God to strengthen their faith, clarify His vision for their lives, and help them walk faithfully towards it.