



Faith Before the Evidence

A 7-Day Bible Study on Believing God for Big Things

You can ask God boldly for big things while trusting Him with the timing, the process, and the outcome. Faith gives us room to hope without requiring us to know exactly how God will answer.

Each day, read the Scripture, sit with the lesson, answer the questions, and close with prayer. Keep one specific hope in mind throughout the week.

Day 1: Faith Before You See It

Read: Hebrews 11:1–3, 8–10

Lesson:

We often want evidence before we commit: an open door, enough money, a clear plan, or reassurance that everything will work out. Faith invites us to trust God before all those pieces are in place.

Abraham obeyed God without knowing his final destination. He did not have every detail, but he had someone trustworthy to follow.

You may be believing for something you cannot yet explain or see a path toward. You can acknowledge that uncertainty and still bring your hope to God. Faith does not require pretending you have no questions.



Reflect:

- What big thing am I hoping for?
- What evidence do I feel I need before I can trust God?
- What do I already know about God's character that can support me today?

Practice:

Write: "God, I am believing You for _____. While I cannot see the outcome, today I can trust You with _____."

Prayer:

Father, help me trust You beyond what I can see. Give me courage to hope and wisdom to recognize the next step. Let my confidence grow in who You are. Amen.





Day 2: Bring God the Impossible

Read: Genesis 18:9–14; Luke 1:26–38

Lesson:

Sarah and Mary received news that exceeded what they understood to be possible. Their circumstances were different, but both accounts reveal God's ability to work beyond human limitations.

Sometimes we shrink our prayers because we cannot figure out how an answer could happen. We measure the future using our current resources, qualifications, relationships, or opportunities.

These passages invite you to bring God the whole desire. You do not have to make it smaller before praying about it. God's power, however, does not make every wish a promise. We can ask boldly and remain willing to be led.

Reflect:

- What have I labeled impossible?
- Have I stopped praying about it because I cannot see a way?
- Am I willing to receive an answer that looks different from my original plan?

Practice:

Write an honest prayer about the desire you have been afraid to name. Include both what you want and what you fear.

Prayer:

God, You know the things that feel beyond my reach. I bring them to You without minimizing them. Help me believe in Your power and remain receptive to Your direction. Amen.



Day 3: What Is Unseen Still Matters

Read: 2 Corinthians 4:16–18; Mark 4:26–29

Lesson:

In Mark's account, Jesus describes seed growing while the person who planted it does not fully understand how. Growth takes place before the harvest becomes visible.

That picture can help us resist judging everything by immediate results. A quiet season may still include learning, preparation, healing, or changes we have not recognized.

But we do not need to invent hidden progress to make ourselves feel faithful. Some situations genuinely need attention or a different approach. Trusting God means remaining hopeful and honest at the same time.

Reflect:

- Where am I discouraged because I cannot see results?
- What small growth can I actually identify?
- What needs continued patience, and what needs practical attention?

Practice:

Record three small signs of growth: a new skill, a healthier response, a completed task, a meaningful conversation, or increased clarity.

Prayer:

Father, help me value growth that is easy to overlook. Keep me from dismissing small beginnings. Give me patience where I need to wait and discernment where I need to act. Amen.



Day 4: Faith Can Include Questions

Read: Mark 9:14–27; Psalm 13

Lesson:

The father in Mark 9 asks Jesus for help while acknowledging his struggle to believe. He brings both his hope and his uncertainty into the conversation.

You can do the same. Being afraid, disappointed, or tired does not disqualify you from prayer. The Psalms make room for grief and questions alongside trust.

When you are believing for something important, doubt may arise because the stakes matter to you. You do not have to hide that doubt or shame yourself for feeling it. Bring it to God and let faith become an honest relationship.

Reflect:

- What am I afraid will happen if I hope again?
- What disappointment do I need to be honest with God about?
- What would trusting Him look like today, even with unanswered questions?

Practice:

Finish these sentences:

- “God, I want to believe that _____.”
- “The part I struggle with is _____.”
- “Today, please help me _____.”

Prayer:

Lord, I bring You my hope and my hesitation. Help me where my faith feels weak. Teach me to speak honestly with You and keep turning toward You. Amen.



Day 5: Take the Next Faithful Step

Read: James 2:14–18; Nehemiah 2:1–8

Lesson:

Nehemiah prayed about rebuilding Jerusalem, then prepared to make a specific request. When an opportunity came, he could explain what he needed.

Prayer and preparation can work together. Depending on what you are believing for, your next step might involve learning, saving, applying, having a conversation, asking for support, or developing a plan.

Action does not purchase an answer from God. It is a way to participate responsibly in what is within your reach. You do not have to force a door open or exhaust yourself proving your faith.

Reflect:

- What part of this hope is within my responsibility?
- What have I been postponing because I want complete certainty?
- What one manageable step can I take this week?

Practice:

Choose one action and give it a date. Make it specific: “On Tuesday, I will _____.”

Prayer:

God, help me recognize my next faithful step. Give me courage to act, discipline to prepare, and wisdom to respect my limits. Guide what I do with what You have placed in my hands. Amen.



Day 6: Trust God in the Waiting

Read: Psalm 27:13–14; Romans 8:24–25

Lesson:

Waiting becomes especially difficult when the desire matters deeply. You may wonder whether you missed something, whether God heard you, or whether you should stop hoping.

These passages encourage patient trust. They do not give a deadline for every answer. A delay by itself cannot tell us exactly what God is doing or what the eventual outcome will be.

You can keep praying while continuing to live. Rest, relationships, present responsibilities, and moments of joy all belong in a season of waiting. Your life has value before the answer arrives.

Reflect:

- How has waiting affected the way I see God?
- What have I put on hold unnecessarily?
- How can I care for my present life while holding hope for the future?

Practice:

Choose one nourishing activity you have delayed: spend time with someone, take a walk, enjoy a meal, rest, or return to something creative.

Prayer:

Father, strengthen me in the waiting. Help me hold hope without putting my whole life on pause. Teach me to receive today while I continue trusting You with tomorrow. Amen.



Day 7: Believe Boldly and Hold the Outcome Open

Read: Ephesians 3:20–21; 1 John 5:14–15; Luke 22:39–43

Lesson:

Ephesians points us toward God's abundant power. First John connects confidence in prayer with His will. Jesus's prayer in Gethsemane shows that a deeply honest request can coexist with surrender.

Together, these passages give us a foundation for bold prayer: ask fully, trust deeply, and remain open to God's wisdom.

The song's expression of expectation can become a reminder to keep hoping. The strongest foundation for that hope is God's faithfulness. A specific outcome may remain uncertain; you can still trust Him to meet you, guide you, and sustain you.

Reflect:

- What has changed in how I understand faith this week?
- What am I still asking God for?
- What outcome or timeline do I need to release?
- How will I continue praying, preparing, and living?

Practice:

Write a closing prayer in three parts:

1. **My request:** "God, I am asking You for..."
2. **My next step:** "With Your help, I will..."
3. **My surrender:** "I trust You with..."

Prayer:

God, enlarge my faith and guide my desires. Help me ask boldly without holding tightly to only one way You can answer. Give me courage for the next step and peace with what I cannot control. I place my hope, my plans, and my future in Your hands. Amen.



A Declaration to Carry Forward

**I can bring God my biggest hopes.
I can trust Him while questions remain.
I will pray honestly and prepare faithfully.
I will recognize small growth and take the next wise step.
I will keep living while I wait.
My hope rests in God's character, and I remain open to His answer.**

