



Lessons for Life

STEPPING OUT IN FAITH

Is Jesus Worth It?

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"On the day the LORD gave the Amorites over to Israel, Joshua said to the LORD in the presence of Israel: "O sun, stand still over Gibeon, O moon, over the Valley of Aijalon." So the sun stood still, and the moon stopped, till the nation avenged itself on its enemies, as it is written in the Book of Jashar. The sun stopped in the middle of the sky and delayed going down about a full day. There has never been a day like it before or since, a day when the LORD listened to a man. Surely the LORD was fighting for Israel!"
Joshua 10:12-14 (NIV)

"And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him."
Hebrews 11:6 (NIV)

STEPPING OUT IN FAITH DEMANDS THAT WE ...

1. **BELIEVE** God for Things We Haven't Seen

"Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see." Hebrews 11:1 (NIV)

"It was by faith that Noah built a large boat to save his family from the flood. He obeyed God, who warned him about things that had never happened before...." Hebrews 11:7 (NLT)

2. **OBEY** God When We Don't Understand

"It was faith that made Abraham obey when God called him to go out to a country which God had promised to give him. He left his own country without knowing where he was going." Hebrews 11:8 (GN)

"By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the people had marched around them for seven days." Hebrews 11:30 (NIV)

3. **GIVE** to God When I Don't Possess It

"It was by faith that Abel brought a more acceptable offering to God than Cain did. Abel's offering gave evidence that he was a righteous man, and God showed his approval of his gifts...." Hebrews 11:4 (NLT)

"Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full-pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back." Luke 6:38 (NLT)

4. Offer **THANKS** To God Before I Receive It

"By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau in regard to their future." Hebrews 11:20 (NIV)

"Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours." Mark 11:24 (NIV)

5. **TRUST** God No Matter What Happens

"These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised. God had planned something better" Hebrews 11:39, 40 (NIV)

"But these things I plan won't happen right away. Slowly, steadily, surely, the time approaches when the vision will be fulfilled. If it seems slow, do not despair, for these things will surely come to pass. Just be patient! They will not be overdue a single day!" Habakkuk 2:3 (TLB)