

CONFIDENCE

(A Picture of Confidence)

WHERE IS YOUR CONFIDENCE

A. What are you confident about?

1. Talents / Developed skills / Natural abilities
2. Government / Institutions / Companies
3. Other people

B. What about your confidence in God?

1. Is this possible?
2. We are encouraged to keep our confidence in God (*Hebrews 10:35 NIV*)

A PICTURE OF CONFIDENCE (1 Samuel 14:6-14 NKJ)

A. Jonathan was confident in a big God

1. He believed that God was not limited - He didn't need numbers in His favor
2. He also believed that God could use them

B. Jonathan's words and actions were confident

1. Words that revealed his confidence
2. Actions that revealed confidence

C. Jonathan was confident in his cause

1. Not about personal glory - he never mentioned his fighting skills
2. This was about winning a battle for God's people

YOUR CONFIDENCE IN GOD

A. Your confidence in God can grow (2 Thessalonians 1:3 NIV)

1. Confidence is not a fixed asset - have and have nots
2. Similar to confidence in a person

B. Two key areas to develop confidence

1. That God is big and powerful
2. That God will be big and powerful in your life (*Hebrews 13:5-6 NKJ*)

C. Your confidence is strengthened by your words and your actions

1. How do you talk about God?
2. How are you positioned regarding the problems and challenges in your life

D. The greater the cause the greater the confidence

1. Looking for something bigger than you
2. A bigger purpose of our life is to be a light in the world (*Matthew 5:14-16 NKJ*)