

CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?

Part 4: Reasons to Believe

Text: Hebrews 11:6 NKJV

TWO AREAS TO BELIEVE

- A. That God will help me (*Hebrews 13:5-6 NKJV*)
 - 1. He has said so I can say - boldly say
- B. That God will give me wisdom (*James 1:5 NKJV*)
 - 1. He is a generous giver
 - 2. He will not reproach - rail at, revile, assail with abusive words
 - 3. I can receive His wisdom

WHEN THE DISCIPLES WERE CHALLENGED ABOUT WHAT THEY BELIEVED **(Mark 4:35-41 NKJV)**

- A. They encountered a storm
 - 1. Even when Jesus was with them
 - 2. Jesus' actions indicated that the storm was not from God (*John 8:28-29 NKJV*)
- B. The disciple's response in the storm
 - 1. Woke Jesus and accused Him of not caring
 - 2. Their words indicated they believed they were going down
- C. Jesus response
 - 1. He dealt with the storm
 - 2. He challenged the disciples about their lack of faith
- D. Reasons for faith over fear
 - 1. Jesus' words - 'let's cross over' (*John 6:63-64 NKJV*)
 - 2. Jesus' character

OUR REASONS FOR FAITH OVER FEAR

- A. We can choose to believe His words (*1 Thessalonians 2:13 NKJV*)
 - 1. God's word is not the same as man's words
 - 2. His word is powerful when we believe it
- B. We can choose to believe His is good (*Romans 8:31-32 NKJV*)
 - 1. He not only cares He is for us
 - 2. He was willing to give His best for us
 - 3. So we can thank God that He cares for us - regardless of a storm