

embrace the impossible.

SERMON NOTES:

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

— **Isaiah 40:31 (KJV)**

Embrace The Impossible.

Impossible odds set the stage for amazing miracles.

When they came to the crowd, a man approached Jesus and knelt before him. "Lord, have mercy on my son," he said. "He has seizures and is suffering greatly. He often falls into the fire or into the water. I brought him to your disciples, but they could not heal him."

— **Matthew 17:14-16 (NIV)**

Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

— **Matthew 19:26 (NIV)**

"You don't have enough faith," Jesus told them. "I tell you the truth, if you had faith even as small as a mustard seed, you could say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it would move. Nothing would be impossible."

— **Matthew 17:20 (NLT)**

So He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting."

— **Mark 9:29 (NKJV)**

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Impossible Faith.

For God says, "At just the right time, I heard you. On the day of salvation, I helped you." Indeed, the "right time" is now. Today is the day of salvation.

– **2 Corinthians 6:2 (NLT)**

Maybe today is your day to start trusting His timing.

Therefore, the promise comes by faith.

– **Romans 4:16 (NIV)**

Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, "So shall your offspring be."

– **Romans 4:18 (NIV)**

1. Learn the language of God - Faith

It won't be easy.

Don't try to get out of anything prematurely. Let it do its work so you become mature and well-developed.

– **James 1:4b (MSG)**

Sometimes God can't give you what He wants to give you because He has to change your perspective.

We want the promise immediately without the process. No process means no promise.

Stop trying to figure it all out yourself.

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)**

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In order to understand what is possible we have to study the value system of God - faith.

...God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.

— **Hebrews 11:6 (NIV)**

God gives you what He asks you to enact.

Faith is the designed response that God asks of you.

The language of God is faith.

By faith we understand that the entire universe was formed at God's command, that what we now see did not come from anything that can be seen.

— **Hebrews 11:3 (NLT)**

"Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

— **Luke 7:50 (NIV)**

"Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

— **Mark 5:34 (ESV)**

"Recover your sight; your faith has made you well."

— **Luke 18:42 (ESV)**

"Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight...

— **Mark 10:52 (ESV)**

Some of us are getting by on whatever is around and not reaching for God's best.

Faith is a learned language.

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So I confronted them and called down curses on them. I beat some of them and pulled out their hair. I made them swear in the name of God that they would not let their children intermarry with the pagan people of the land.

– **Nehemiah 13:25 (NLT)**

About the same time I realized that some of the men of Judah had married women from Ashdod, Ammon, and Moab.

– **Nehemiah 13:23 (NLT)**

Furthermore, half their children spoke the language of Ashdod or of some other people and could not speak the language of Judah at all.

– **Nehemiah 13:24 (NLT)**

That entire generation passed away, and after them grew up a generation who did not know the Lord or the deeds that He had done for Israel.

– **Judges 2:10 (MEV)**

2. Know God.

Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

– **Matthew 19:26 (NIV)**

When you remove the “no” from your conversation with God, then you begin to know the power of God.

3. Magnify the Lord in the middle of the mess

Oh, magnify the Lord with me, And let us exalt His name together.

– **Psalms 34:3 (NKJV)**

Magnifying the Lord has nothing to do with Him and has everything to do with you.

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...If God be for us, who can be against us.

— **Romans 8:31 (KJV)**

DISCUSSION GUIDE:

1. How can you embrace the impossible this week?
2. What does your prayer life look like?
 - What specific moments in your schedule can you intentionally set aside time to spend in prayer?
3. What word curses are you speaking over your life?
 - How can you speak words of life to change your current perspective?
4. Are you settling for what's close or for God's best?
5. Ask yourself honestly, who is coming first in your life - God or you?