

Confident God Is Worth Following Devotional
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Read: Hebrews 11:4–7

“By faith Abel brought God a better offering than Cain did. By faith he was commended as righteous, when God spoke well of his offerings. And by faith Abel still speaks, even though he is dead. ⁵ By faith Enoch was taken from this life, so that he did not experience death: “He could not be found, because God had taken him away.”^[a] For before he was taken, he was commended as one who pleased God. ⁶ 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. ⁷ By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that is in keeping with faith.”

Have you ever had to make a decision that no one understood, but deep in your heart you knew it was the correct decision for you? Following God many times feels like that. It doesn't always make sense, it can be uncomfortable, and most of the time, it's not easy. But when God speaks to us, something inside of us moves.

Today we're going to look at three men who chose to trust God completely, even when they didn't have all the answers and didn't fully make sense: Abel, Enoch, and Noah. They are good examples of people that believed that God was worth following, and today we can live with that same kind of confidence also.

Abel: Worshiping in Faith

Let's start with the first of these men of faith: Abel. His experience teaches us that when we believe God is worth it, we give Him our best, not out of duty, but out of love and trust. Abel gave a better offering because he gave it with a heart full of faith. He didn't just do what he was supposed to, he truly believed that God deserved the best he had. His offering wasn't just an action, it was a deep expression of love, respect, and trust.

For us as women, this is a powerful reminder that God sees our sacrifices, especially when they come from a heart that loves Him and wants to obey Him. Sometimes we serve quietly, give our time, care for others, or pray when no one notices. Maybe people don't see it, but God does. And He is pleased when we give Him our best, not what's left.

Enoch: Walking with God

The second man of faith is Enoch. Enoch was a man who walked with God. The Bible doesn't say much about him, but what it does say is deep and meaningful, *“Enoch walked with God”* (Genesis 5:24). This means he had a close relationship with the Lord. He didn't perform miracles or spoke to large crowds. Enoch simply lived each day trusting God and trying to please Him.

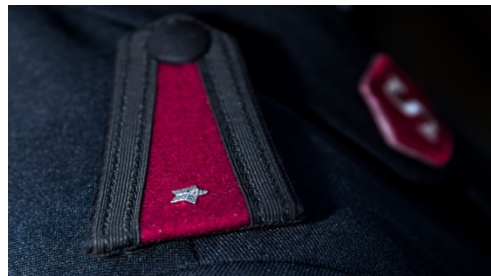
For us as women, this teaches us that we don't need to be famous or do big things to live a powerful life of faith. God values our daily walk with Him, the quiet prayers, reading the Bible even when we're tired, and those prayers we lift to God while working or caring for our families. Walking with God isn't something the world always sees, but it's something God sees and truly treasures.

Noah: Obeying Without Seeing

The third man of faith we will look at today is Noah. Noah was a man who obeyed God even when he didn't have all the answers. God told him to build an ark because a flood was coming, something that had never happened before. Even though people laughed at him, and even though it didn't make sense to the world, Noah trusted what God said and obeyed Him. His faith led him to take action, even when he couldn't see the outcome. Hebrews 11:7 tells us that it was through this faith that Noah saved his family.

For us as women, this story reminds us that many times God asks us to take steps of obedience that don't seem to make sense and others may not understand, or at times may even scare us. Maybe God is asking you to forgive, to leave something behind, to start something new, or to trust Him in the middle of uncertainty. We may not always see the purpose right away, but God honors obedience that comes from faith. Obeying without seeing takes courage, but it also shows how much we trust in who God is.

Personal Testimony:



Just like these three men of faith obeyed God without knowing the results and fully trusted His guidance, I also experienced a moment in my life when I had to take a big step of faith.

In the 2020, after 18 years of attending the same church, and 10 of those years serving as youth leader, God asked me to take a big step of faith. My husband and I finally decided to obey God's call and become full-time officers in The Salvation Army.

I had to leave my job of 8 years, my parents, siblings, friends, and the city I grew up in. I was leaving everything I knew and loved. Even though I trusted that God would be with me, the truth is, I was scared. I was afraid to fail, afraid I wasn't good enough, afraid I couldn't handle the responsibility. For many years, I ran from God's calling because I felt unworthy and incapable.

But when I finally said “yes,” God took control. He opened doors, provided everything I needed, gave me strength when I had none, and gave me peace in the middle of uncertainty. At every step, I could see that God was there, faithful, leading the way.

- **Like Abel**, God asked me to give Him the best of me, my time, my talents, and my life. It wasn’t easy to leave everything familiar, but I chose to give Him my best, by faith.
- **Like Enoch**, I learned to walk with God daily, even when things weren’t clear, trusting that He was with me every step.
- **Like Noah**, I obeyed when God asked me to do something that didn’t make sense to others. Some people didn’t understand my decision, but I learned that when God calls, it’s worth obeying, even if I can’t see the outcome.

Conclusion

Today we looked at the lives of three men who lived fully trusting in God. Abel gave his very best in worship. Enoch walked in close relationship with God every day. Noah obeyed, even when he couldn’t see the outcome. What did they all have in common, you ask? Well, they believed that following God was worth it.

Maybe you’re also in a season where God is asking you to do something difficult. Maybe He’s asking you start a new ministry, talk to someone about Jesus, let go of something you love, or simply trust Him in the middle of the unknown. Walking with God doesn’t mean everything will be easy, but it does mean you’ll never walk alone. Just like Abel, Enoch, and Noah, your confidence in God can be your greatest strength.

Challenge for This Week:

Take some time this week to pray and honestly ask yourself:

- In what area do I need to renew my confidence in God?
- What step of obedience or faith is He asking me to take?

God isn’t looking for perfection. He’s looking for a willing heart. And when you choose to follow Him in faith, He walks with you every step of the way.

Closing Prayer:

Thank you, Father, for speaking to our hearts today. Thank You for the lives of Abel, Enoch, and Noah, men who trusted you, even when it was hard. Their faith reminds us that you are always worth following, no matter the cost. Lord, you see our hearts. You know our fears, our doubts, and our struggles. Sometimes we want to follow you, but we feel unsure, afraid, or not good enough. Today, we lay these feelings at your feet. Give us the courage to take that next step of faith, whatever it may be. Help us trust that you are with us, that you go before us, and that you are faithful in every season. Remind us that we are not alone, and that your plans are always good. Amen.

