

Do It God's Way

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Faith is trusting God to do what He has promised, no matter how foolish the steps He asks us to take may seem.

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Description

K.P. Yohannan emphasizes that faith often appears foolish from a worldly perspective, yet it is essential for trusting God's promises. He illustrates this through the stories of David facing Goliath and Joshua leading the Israelites around Jericho, both of which required humbling faith in seemingly illogical actions. The sermon also recounts Naaman's initial resistance to God's healing method through Elisha, highlighting how our own expectations can hinder us from receiving God's blessings. Ultimately, faith triumphs, regardless of how ridiculous the path may seem. The message encourages believers to embrace God's ways, trusting that they lead to victory.

Transcript

From the world's perspective, faith often looks foolish and illogical. But faith trusts God to do what He has promised, no matter how foolish the steps He asks us to take may seem. There is nothing of man's way in faith. Faith led David to face a giant with a simple slingshot and five stones (see 1 Samuel 17). Faith led Joshua to command a makeshift army to walk around a walled city, blowing trumpets and shouting for their victory (see Joshua 6). Please put yourself in these men's place for a moment and realize how humbling or frightening these things must have been. But remember, no matter how foolish or ridiculous Joshua and the children of Israel looked while walking around the city of Jericho for seven days, it was by their faith that the walls did come down! In the end, faith always wins out!

In 2 Kings 5 the story is told of Naaman the leper who was sent to Elisha the prophet to be healed of his leprosy. When he arrived at the prophet's door, Naaman was told, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored to you, and you shall be clean" (v. 10).

But Naaman didn't like that solution. The Jordan River was just some distant, muddy water to him. In verses 11-12 we are told that "Naaman became furious, and went away and said, 'Indeed, I said to myself, "He will surely come out to me, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and wave his hand over the place, and heal the leprosy." Are not the Abanah and the Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?' So he turned and went away in a rage."

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