



# One Step

*“So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith, not by sight.” 2 Corinthians 5:6-7*

When I read Hebrews 11, I am awed as I see what these men of God accomplished. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Moses. Great men with great faith who accomplished great things. And I want to be one. Who wouldn't want to be a father of many nations or do miracles with a simple staff. The writer even ends with a “catch-all” of men he couldn't fit in the book. Oh, to have my name there!

What's even more incredible is when you realize none of the men knew when they started what God was going to do. They were just told to “Go.” Or “Speak.” Or “Move.” None of them ever knew the endgame when they began. Even more is that none of them were called to do something they had done before. All of them just took the first step. Then the second. And so on. And so on. That is what makes them great men of faith. That's what I want to be. It's what we all really want to be.

As I am writing this, a family is preparing a funeral for their daughter. She was a senior, well liked and always a smile. Then she had that fateful accident. I know that someday it will make sense but right now...none whatsoever. I have heard from so many, especially adults, reveal they are struggling with their “faith in God”. It's more than not making sense. It feels almost cruel and unfair. There are more “why's” than answers. The veil is hiding too much and we want answers. Honestly I want answers.

And yet the sky is quiet. Seems even more quiet than usual. “Don't you care?!” is the scream of hurt. “Where are You?!” is the cry of the broken. “Answer me!” is the demand of the heart. And we feel alone, guilty and forsaken. Doesn't God understand forsaken?!

He does. He knows. He's felt it. He's shed many tears because of it. See, Abraham never counted something God didn't create. Moses never commanded what God wasn't able to do. But He was also there for their sin and shortcomings. He was there for all the highs and lows. Both for Hebrews 11 and January, 2022. He is the same from Genesis to Revelation. And He knows all to well your hurt, confusion and even your anger. He's seen the other side of this, and he is walking with us to get there. And He knows what we can't.

So what do we do when our faith collides with our hurt and confusion?

You just focus on that first step. Don't try to make sense of it. Our minds cannot contain it nor can we reason it into acceptance. It is beyond us but not God. And that is why the next step is never alone. He walks and invites more steps. And before you know it, you've entered the “land” He prepared for you.

Don't trust me? Read Hebrews 11. Then go back and read their stories. He's got this. And He's got you.

From My Heart,

*Billy*