

How To Renovate My Faith

“Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.”

Romans 12:2 (NIV)

“Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from him, throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception. Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes.” Ephesians 4:21-23 (NLT)

1. TAKE AN _____

“... do not think of yourself more highly than you should. Instead, be modest in your thinking, and judge yourself...” Romans 12:3 (GNB)

Personal evaluation:

“As I went, I inspected the broken walls of the city and the gates that had been destroyed by fire.” Nehemiah 2:13 (TEV)

From a trusted friend:

“When I heard these things, I sat down and wept. For some days I **mourned and fasted and prayed.**” Nehemiah 1:4 (NIV)

- Mourning: Express your hurt to God
- Fasting: Focus your heart on God
- Praying: Ask for help from God

2. IMAGINE WHAT _____

“...we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope.” Romans 5:3-4 (NIV)

“God can do anything, you know—far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams! He does it not by pushing us around but by working within us, His Spirit deeply and gently within us.” Ephesians 3:20 (Msg)

“If you’re a hard worker and do a good job, you deserve your pay we don’t call your wages a gift. But if you see that the job is too big for you, that it’s something only God can do, and you trust Him to do it—you could never do it for yourself no matter how hard and long you worked—well, that trusting-Him-to-do-it is what gets you set right with God, by God. Sheer gift.” Romans 4:4-5 (Msg)

We all live on one of two levels:

What _____ can do

What _____ can do

3. TAKE A _____

“I was badly frightened, but I replied, ‘...send me to Judah to rebuild the city where my ancestors are buried.’”

Nehemiah 2:2,5 (NLT)

“I tell you the truth, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there’ and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you.” Matthew 17:20 (NIV)

“The God of heaven will give us success. We His servants will start rebuilding this wall.” Nehemiah 2:20 (NIV)

4. BE READY FOR _____

“Then I added this to my request... And the king granted these requests, for God was being gracious to me.”

Nehemiah 2:7-8 (TLB)

“For God has said, ‘I will never, never fail you nor forsake you.’ That is why we can say without any doubt or fear, ‘The Lord is my Helper, and I am not afraid of anything that mere man can do to me.’” Hebrews 13:5-6 (TLB)

“When someone becomes a Christian, he becomes a brand new person inside. He is not the same anymore. A new life has begun!” 2 Corinthians 5:17 (TLB)