

Day 4: Believe Before You See It

Devotional

Elijah looked toward the sea and saw nothing. He sent his servant back six times, and six times the report was the same: nothing. But on the seventh look, there it was. A cloud the size of a man's hand.

That tiny cloud was not rain. It was barely a sign. But Elijah did not wait for the downpour to start celebrating. He declared that rain was coming before a single drop had fallen. He acted on what he believed, not on what he could see.

This is the kind of faith God is calling you to today. Not faith that waits for proof before it believes, but faith that believes and then watches God move. Abraham left for a land he had never seen. The three Hebrew children walked into the fire without a guarantee they would walk out. They simply trusted that their God was able.

Maybe you have been waiting for God to answer before you let yourself believe again. But He is asking you to flip that around. Pick your expectation back up. If you can see even the smallest stirring of God in your life right now, that is your cloud. That is your sign. Start acting like the rain is already on its way.

Bible Verse

"The seventh time the servant reported, 'A cloud as small as a man's hand is rising from the sea.' So Elijah said, 'Go and tell Ahab, Hitch up your chariot and go down before the rain stops you.'" - 1 Kings 18:44

Reflection Question

Is there a small sign of God moving in your life right now that you have been dismissing instead of building your faith on?

Quote

"We think God has to answer us before we can believe. God's wanting you to believe before He answers with you. Faith isn't the substance of the things you've seen. It's the substance of the things that you have hoped for and that you have not seen."

Prayer

Lord, give me the courage to believe before I see the answer. Help me trust that the small signs of Your movement are the promise of something much greater. I choose faith today. Amen.