

THE SPIRIT OF THE UNSTOPPABLE Believe In God, Believe In Yourself, It Is Possible!

Life is difficult when no one believes in you. It affects every part of your being. Imagine finding yourself in a place where no one believes in you or working in an environment where no one has confidence in you or in your ability. Soul-crushing, isn't it?

Imagine coming face-to-face with a challenge that you believe can overcome or execute successfully but everyone else thinks you cannot achieve that goal. They spew all sorts of reasons which undermine your spirit and confidence. What do you do? Do you despair, get disappointed and give up? Will you want away from your goal?

It is my prayer that this message comes at the opportune moment in your life. It is my prayer that this message will boost your confidence, give you a renewed hope and empower you to come out of any form of human imposed limitations and position. This message of upliftment will inspire you and you will declare, *with God, I can make it, in fact with God all things are possible.* You need to believe God can make all your wildest dreams possible.

Child of God, take a look at the accounts given in the scripture below and see to your amazement the number of human obstacles David had to overcome. These challenges often came from people close to him in the form of despising and discouraging voices. From his own sibling who felt he shouldn't be at the battlefield in the first place to the king, Saul who saw David as young and inexperienced in warfare. No one believed he could defeat Goliath. However, the Lord proved true to his word. David was successful in his efforts. He overcame all these challenges.

1 Samuel 17: 21 - 50 (KJV)

Here was David who knew how God has been good and gracious to him to the extent of delivering him from lions and bears. He believed that the Philistine wasn't going to be any different yet the people of Israel who had no idea what he had experienced thought he could not. They did not believe that the Lord was with David.

Child of God, people can form their own opinions about you by just looking at your face, your past mistakes or even your current circumstances. They may perceive what you can or cannot do but God alone knows what you are good for and what you are capable of. He knows his grace is more than sufficient for you and you will be more than what the human eye can comprehend.

In verse 28, "Now Eliab his oldest brother heard when he spoke to the men; and Eliab's anger was aroused against David, and he said, "Why did you come down here? And with whom have you left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know your pride and the insolence of your heart, for you have come down to see the battle."

Eliab his elder brother questioned him for daring to enquire; he even asked in whose care David had left the sheep. Eliab had always known David to be the keeper of their father's sheep and perhaps felt, that is all David ought to concern himself with. He even took David's confidence and courage for pride, thinking, since when did he start meddling in matters of war when all that he had known him to be was a shepherd. *We are men of war. You are for the keeping of sheep.* Eliab seem to have suggested.



Child of God, we all have to climb higher and take up new challenges at certain times for our promotion in life and these wouldn't come easy. The greater the darkness, the brighter the light. You must expect opposition in your quest to rise and achieve the goals you have set. Some may despise you and discourage you at the mere mention of what you wish to do having known your past and seeing what you do now. However, you know yourself better, you know the power of God's glory and you alone know what encounters you have had with God.

People may take your confidence and talk of your next plan as frivolous or a show of pride. They will declare it is impossible to achieve this. You are dreaming. You are being prideful. They will try to push you down, but I tell you this, keep believing in God and keep believing in what you can do and go for it and you will be there.

Remember you cannot always expect sympathy and encouragement from friends. Sometimes even your family is likely to be weapons of discouragement and toxicity as they often take their knowledge of you as knowing and understanding your capabilities. Saul had to give David his armour because in his estimation that is what one needed to enter the battlefield.

When you plan to break new grounds in certain fields, people are quick to tell you how impossible it is or to go acquire certain things else forget it. Let's not forget that proper planning is essential for field of endeavor, however it is the Lord who blesses and see to accomplishment every goal we as Christians set in our hearts and prayer.

I once asked a lady why she had to bleach her skin and listen to her response. "She wanted to become a big actress and she was advised by friends that only fair ladies can make it big in acting hence her bleaching". I dare say many black and dark skin ladies have made it big without having had to bleach their skin.

Some may judge you by your youthfulness, old age, color or even your current position which has no bearing on your ability to enter the next level of life. Listen to King Saul tell David "**you are but a youth**" and then went further to compare him to Goliath. Saul himself took account of how long he had been fighting wars and commented on David's inexperience. Do you feel you are being compared to someone you could do better than; Let it challenge you rather than discourage you.

When people think you cannot, let it challenge you and go for it. For you are able because your God and Father is able.

1 Samuel 17:33 (KJV)

"And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou art but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth."

David could have allowed himself to be discouraged or even frightened by the profile of Goliath as given by Saul but he refused and rather put his trust in the Lord, he believed in the Lord and his capabilities which he had been sharpening whilst fighting bears and lions. These were encounters which Saul wasn't aware of. He didn't know all these experiences had made David's faith in the Lord stronger and deeper. David is not so different from you. Step forward in prayer and in faith and the Lord's glory will be manifested.

Keep confessing in prayer, what your goal is and move towards it. Trust that your God will reward you with victory. Just like David, focus on the things you can do and let people hear that story repeatedly



rather than your negatives. Let others know what you can do rather than what you cannot do. Yes! You have been through a lot; the challenges have been too much, but it is the more reason why you can fight your way through to victory. Remember we grow as a result of the adversaries in our lives. Challenges are there to make you stronger, purposeful, and more prayerful.

Like the Canaanite woman who wanted a miracle for her daughter, she kept on till she got Christ's attention and the eventual healing for the daughter. **[Matthew 15: 21 - 28]**

If David had not insisted, he would have been denied the opportunity to become a hero. He had to fight his way through the disapproval of his brothers, the fears of his people and the doubts of the King. Despite all these obstacles, David put his faith in his Lord and stepped forward in faith and he was victorious.

When people say you cannot, let them know you can because you alone know what capabilities your God and Father has deposited in you. In all these experiences and in all circumstances, remember not to rely on your strength but on God who is the strength and victory of His people. People will talk you down but you must inspire yourself to rise and fight your way through. God is our victory. Don't stop! God bless you!

Prayer Points

1. Pray for strength to fight on. Pray for the strength to overcome any spirit of discouragement and negativity.

2. Confess what you wish to the Lord in prayer. Listen to his Word and ask the Lord to grant you the grace to go through and accomplish your goal.

3. Pray that God will connect you to the opportunities you seek and bring you favor with anyone you come across.

Don't forget! You were saved to be free...