



# RCCG OCEANIA

Faith & Trust

## Personal Responsibility in Faith

### At a Glance

#### BIG IDEA

In the journey of faith, personal responsibility is paramount. God rewards individuals based on their personal engagement, faith, and obedience. Through examples like Abraham and Elijah, we see that divine speed and acceleration are possible when we align with God's will. Avoid procrastination and unbelief to ensure you don't miss out on God's promises.

#### PRIMARY PASSAGES

Genesis 22:1

1 Kings 18:46

1 Corinthians 3:6

Numbers 14:28-34

Hebrews 3:12-15

## Key Takeaways

- Every individual is responsible for their own spiritual journey.
- God rewards personal faith and obedience, not group efforts.
- Divine speed is achievable through faith and obedience.
- Procrastination and unbelief can hinder spiritual progress.
- Engage actively and personally with God's commands.

## Introduction

The journey of faith is deeply personal, requiring each individual to take responsibility for their spiritual growth and outcomes. This study explores how personal engagement, faith, and obedience are crucial in aligning with God's will and receiving His promises.

## Scripture Reading

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- **Genesis 22:1** — God tested Abraham, highlighting personal responsibility in faith.
- **1 Kings 18:46** — Elijah's divine speed illustrates the power of faith and obedience.
- **1 Corinthians 3:6** — Emphasizes individual reward based on personal labor.
- **Numbers 14:28-34** — Warns against unbelief leading to missed promises.
- **Hebrews 3:12-15** — Cautions against an evil heart of unbelief.

## Key Points

1. Individual Responsibility — Every person is accountable for their own faith journey. God tests and rewards individuals based on their personal engagement and obedience. Abraham's willingness to follow God's command demonstrates the importance of personal responsibility in faith. Similarly, Paul reminds us that each person's work will be rewarded according to their own labor.
  - Reflect on your personal faith journey and identify areas for growth.
  - Commit to daily personal engagement with Scripture and prayer.
  - Seek God's guidance in making decisions that align with His will.

Scripture: Genesis 22:1    1 Corinthians 3:6

## Key Points (cont.)

2. **Divine Speed Through Faith** — Faith and obedience can lead to divine acceleration, as seen in Elijah's story. When Elijah outran Ahab's chariot, it was a testament to the power of aligning with God's timing and strength. Trusting in God's timing and power can lead to remarkable outcomes in our lives.
  - Trust in God's timing for your life and avoid rushing ahead.
  - Pray for strength and guidance to align with God's will.
  - Be open to the unexpected ways God might accelerate your journey.

Scripture: 1 Kings 18:46

## Key Points (cont.)

3. Avoiding Procrastination — Procrastination and unbelief can delay or prevent receiving God's promises. The Israelites' unbelief led to a prolonged journey in the wilderness, missing out on the promised land. Hebrews warns us to guard against an evil heart of unbelief, urging us to be proactive in our faith.
- Identify areas where procrastination affects your spiritual growth.
  - Set specific goals for spiritual disciplines and stick to them.
  - Encourage others in their faith journey to avoid unbelief.

Scripture: Numbers 14:28-34

Hebrews 3:12-15

## Group Discussion

Tip: Use these questions to guide the group from seeing → understanding → applying.

## Observation

- What was the test that God gave to Abraham in Genesis 22:1?
- How did Elijah demonstrate faith and obedience in 1 Kings 18:46?
- What does 1 Corinthians 3:6 say about individual responsibility?

## Interpretation

- Why is personal responsibility important in our faith journey?
- How does Elijah's story illustrate the concept of divine speed?
- What are the consequences of unbelief as seen in Numbers 14:28-34?

## Application

- In what ways can you take more responsibility for your spiritual growth?
- How can you align your actions with God's timing and will?
- What steps can you take to overcome procrastination in your faith journey?

## Prayer Focus

- Ask for guidance in taking responsibility for your faith journey.
- Pray for strength to align with God's will and timing.
- Seek wisdom to overcome procrastination and unbelief.

## Next Step

Reflect on your personal faith journey and identify specific areas where you can take more responsibility and align more closely with God's will.

## Conclusion

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Personal responsibility in faith is essential for spiritual growth and receiving God's promises. By engaging actively and aligning with God's will, we can experience divine acceleration and avoid the pitfalls of procrastination and unbelief. Let us commit to taking ownership of our faith journey, trusting in God's timing and power.