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# **EXPERIENCING GOD: GOD'S INVITATION FOR YOU TO WORK WITH HIM ALWAYS LEADS YOU TO A CRISIS OF BELIEF THAT REQUIRES FAITH AND ACTION.**

## **1. Encounters with God require faith**

a) Faith is confidence that what God promises will come to pass.

b) Your faith does not rest on a concept or an idea. Faith is centered on a Person – God himself.

## **2. Encounters with God are God-sized**

God wants the world to know Him.

Moses crossing the Red Sea:

“I will receive glory by means of Pharaoh and all his army, and the Egyptians will know that I am the LORD.” (Exodus 14:4)

“When Israel saw the great power that the LORD used against the Egyptians, the people feared the LORD and believed in Him and in His servant Moses.” (Exodus 14:31)

Joshua crossing the Jordan River at flood stage:

“This is so that all the people of the earth may know the LORD’s hand is mighty, and so that you may always fear the LORD your God.” (Joshua 4:24)

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the fiery furnace:

“Praise to the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego! He sent His angel and rescued His servants who trusted in Him...For there is no other god who is able to deliver like this.” (Daniel 3:28-29)

3. When you face a crisis of belief, what you do next reveals what you really believe about God.

## **4. True faith requires action**

“For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so also faith without works is dead.” (James 2:26)



