

II. **IMPOSSIBLE challenges**

“Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.”

James 1:2-4 (NIV)

- A **trial** or a **test** that will require endurance, hope, and surrender.

(Mark 9:15-25, Matthew 9:20, Genesis 50:20)

- Uncooperative **people**, unexplainable **circumstances**, unbearable **pain**.

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**Please feel free to come down to the front
for prayer after service.**

“...pray for one another...” James 5:16

The God of the Impossible

“Jesus replied, ‘What is impossible with men is possible with God.’”

Luke 18:27 (NIV)

“He replied, ‘What is impossible from a human perspective is possible with God.’”

Luke 18:27 (NLT)

“He replied, ‘God can do what men can’t!’”

Luke 18:27 (TLB)

“Sovereign Lord, you made the earth and the sky by your great power and might; nothing is too difficult for you.”

Jeremiah 32:17 (TEV)

I. IMPOSSIBLE callings

“Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.”

Hebrews 11:1, 6 (NIV)

“God is looking for those through whom He can do the impossible. What a pity that we settle for only those things we can do ourselves.”

AW Tozer

- An impossible calling is something that God calls you to do that will require **faith** and **obedience** in spite of circumstances and the opinion of others.
(Acts 20:22-24, Genesis 17:9-19, 18:10-15, 21:17)
- It is a calling that will require **the power of God** and is something you could never do on your own or in your own strength.

“For nothing is impossible with God. Mary responded, ‘I am the Lord’s servant, and I am willing to accept whatever he wants. May everything you have said come true...’”

Luke 1:37-38 (NLT)

“For with God nothing is ever impossible and no word from God shall be without power or impossible of fulfillment...’ ‘let it be done to me according to what you have said.’”

Luke 1:37-38 (AMP)

“Never underestimate the power of a personal word from God and never hesitate to say yes to His plan for your life.”

James Ryle

- God does not always **initiate** impossible callings; sometimes they come by the choice of His followers.

“... ‘Perhaps the Lord will act in our behalf. Nothing can hinder the Lord from saving, whether by many or by few.’”

1 Samuel 14:6 (NIV)