



Luke 17:5 NLT The apostles said to the Lord,
"Show us HOW TO INCREASE OUR FAITH."

Enlarging our ability to confidently trust in God and in His power
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#17 HOLDING ON TO OUR FAITH: IN THE GOOD TIMES

There is certainly a risk of falling away from God when we are threatened, suffering, grieving, or disappointed. But there may be a greater risk in times of _____, _____, and _____.

Example: King Uzziah

2 Chronicles 26:3 Uzziah was sixteen years old when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem fifty-two years ... ⁴ *He did what was right in the eyes of the LORD, just as his father Amaziah had done.* ⁵ *He sought God during the days of Zechariah, who instructed him in the fear of God. As long as he sought the LORD, God gave him success.* ⁶ He went to war against the Philistines and broke down the walls of Gath, Jabneh and Ashdod. He then rebuilt towns near Ashdod and elsewhere among the Philistines. ⁷ *God helped him* against the Philistines and against the Arabs who lived in Gur Baal and against the Meunites. ⁸ The Ammonites brought tribute to Uzziah, and his fame spread as far as the border of Egypt, because *he had become very powerful ...* ¹⁵ *His fame spread far and wide, for he was greatly helped until he became powerful.* ¹⁶ *But after Uzziah became powerful, his pride led to his downfall.*

Uzziah had _____, but he forgot that _____ he had _____.

Other examples in Scripture:

- Adam and Eve; Saul, David, Solomon; Judas; others?

Other examples in our day and age:

- The rich and famous in Hollywood; athletes; politicians; lottery winners; others?

Pressing In:

Instead of asking "How could _____ be like that?" we should ask, "How am ___ like that?"

Deuteronomy 8:10 When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the LORD your God for the good land he has given you. ¹¹ *Be careful that you do not forget the LORD your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day.* ¹² Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied, when you build fine houses and settle down, ¹³ and when your herds and flocks grow large and your silver and gold increase and all you have is multiplied, ¹⁴ then *your heart will become proud and you will forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.*

H. G. Spafford: "When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll, whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, 'It is well, it is well with my soul.'"



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