



NEEDING GOD TO HAVE YOUR BACK DURING TOUGH TIMES

Have there been difficult times in your life when you needed God to “have your back” and would admit that without His help, you could not have endured the challenge you faced? Let’s examine 3 powerful examples from the Scriptures and then share how God helped each of us during tough times.

>>>>Moses – Parting Of The Red Sea<<<<

Exodus 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Egyptians chasing Moses & children of Israel • 600+ Chariots / Cornered against the beach • Lack of faith by God’s people: <p>¹⁰And when Pharaoh drew near, the children of Israel lifted their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians marched after them. So they were very afraid, and the children of Israel cried out to the LORD. ¹¹Then they said to Moses, “Because <i>there were</i> no graves in Egypt, have you taken us away to die in the wilderness? Why have you so dealt with us, to bring us up out of Egypt? ¹²Is this not the word that we told you in Egypt, saying, ‘Let us alone that we may serve the Egyptians’? For <i>it would have been</i> better for us to serve the Egyptians than that we should die in the wilderness.”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The faith of Moses....and what God did through him.
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>>>>Daniel – In The Lion’s Den<<<<

Daniel 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsible for managing 1/3 of the king’s kingdom • Jealousy caused deception and persecution of spiritual beliefs <p>¹⁶So the king gave the command, and they brought Daniel and cast <i>him</i> into the den of lions. <i>But</i> the king spoke, saying to Daniel, “Your God, whom you serve continually, He will deliver you.” ¹⁷Then a stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet ring and with the signets of his lords, that the purpose concerning Daniel might not be changed.¹⁸Now the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; and no musicians[Ⓜ] were brought before him. Also his sleep went from him.</p> <p>¹⁹Then the king arose very early in the morning and went in haste to the den of lions. ²⁰And when he came to the den, he cried out with a lamenting voice to Daniel. The king spoke, saying to Daniel, “Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you from the lions?”</p> <p>²¹Then Daniel said to the king, “O king, live forever! ²²My God sent His angel and shut the lions’ mouths, so that they have not hurt me, because I was found innocent before Him; and also, O king, I have done no wrong before you.”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The faith of Daniel....and what God did through him.
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>>>>David – Taking On Goliath<<<<

1 Samuel 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young shepherd boy bringing supplies to men of Israel & his brothers • Goliath / 9 Feet+ Tall / Wears 125 pound coat / taunts Israel for 40 Days <p>³³And Saul said to David, “You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you <i>are</i> a youth, and he a man of war from his youth.”</p> <p>³⁴But David said to Saul, “Your servant used to keep his father’s sheep, and when a lion or a bear came and took a lamb out of the flock, ³⁵I went out after it and struck it, and delivered <i>the lamb</i> from its mouth; and when it arose against me, I caught <i>it</i> by its beard, and struck and killed it.</p> <p>³⁶Your servant has killed both lion and bear; and this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, seeing he has defied the armies of the living God.” ³⁷Moreover David said, “The LORD, who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, He will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine.”</p> <p>And Saul said to David, “Go, and the LORD be with you!”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The faith of David...and what God did through him.
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What About You? Share about a time that the Lord helped you during a difficult situation, or provided you with special guidance or strength during a time of need.

ASKING GOD FOR SALVATION....A SINNER’S PRAYER

Pray the prayer below, FROM YOUR HEART, and you will be saved.

Heavenly Father, I believe that Jesus Christ is Your Son, and that He died on the cross to save me from my sin. I believe that He rose again to life, and that He invites me to live forever with Him in heaven as part of Your family. Because of what Jesus has done, I ask You to forgive me of my sin and give me eternal life. I invite You to come into my heart and life. I want to trust Jesus as my Savior and follow Him as my Lord. Help me to live in a way that pleases and honors You. Amen.