

Volume 3, Day 17: Trusting God is Living with God

What I hoped God would do in my life has sorted out very differently than I dreamed. But I wouldn't trade anything that God has brought into my life today for anything I hoped for back in the past. This life, as God's allowed it to unfold for me, was far from perfect, far from everything I wanted, but it has enabled me to know Him in the ups and downs in life, to trust Him as things unfold, to not have to arrange every detail of my life. I don't even get rental cars and all those things nailed down when I leave anymore because I ended up on too many trips with other people who were driving me somewhere who wanted and needed the conversation. And those conversations were very powerful for us.

So I want to encourage you. Don't try to give God your faith. Don't try to get more faith. Don't try to go into that routine because even scripture declares that just a little bit will do. All it takes is faith the size of a grain of mustard seed. What our faith needs to do is be based in God and who He is. It is faith **in** Him. It is **trusting** that Jesus **is** the **author** and the **finisher** of my faith. This brings me into a deeper reality that grows over time. When you follow Him, you don't try to save yourself. It is then that He does something amazing.

The reason I don't book six months or two years out on my travel schedule anymore is because I would miss things God wants me to experience. Wayne trying to provide for himself had over planned everything. If you want to grow in trust, if you want that to be a reality that happens in you, just follow His agenda. When you stop trying to save yourself, then and only then will you find the most incredible joy of learning to live **with** Him.