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Exodus 4:10-13

Doubt is destructive. It fills us with uncertainty, makes us indecisive, and affects our ability to connect with God and receive His wisdom. We know doubt is at work when we struggle to believe the following truths:

God loves us all the time. Most of us accept the Lord's deep affection for us when we are "good," but how about when we're disobedient? His love for us does not fluctuate with our behavior. We can be certain of this because "God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:8). That's amazing grace—God loving us while we rebelled against Him.

God has a plan to forgive us for our disobedience. We know the Father promises to forgive us when we confess our sins, but we often have trouble believing we are forgiven. We must not use feelings to determine truth. God's Word is true, and it says, "As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us" (Ps. 103:12). That is a description of complete forgiveness.

God has called us to serve Him. Our Father often invites us to join Him in His work—teaching a Sunday school class, helping a family in need, taking a leadership role, or speaking words about Jesus to another person. The presence of doubt might cause us, like Moses, to make excuses for why we cannot obey (Ex. 4:10). But God promises He has equipped us with everything we need to do the work He has chosen for us (Eph. 2:10).

The opposite of doubt is faith. Which best describes your state of mind?

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