

## BEING CONSISTENT IN YOUR CONFIDENCE WITH GOD.

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### Ephesians 3:12-KJV

12 In whom we have boldness and access *with confidence by the faith* of him.

**Passion** – 12 we have boldness through him, and free access as kings before the Father *because of our complete confidence in Christ's faithfulness.*

**Confidence** - the feeling or belief that one can rely on someone or something; firm trust.

**Proverbs 3:26** - ...Because *God is your confidence* in times of crisis, keeping your heart at rest in every situation.

### Ephesians 2:8-9-NKJV

8 *For by grace you have been saved through faith*, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God,  
9 not of works, lest anyone should boast.

### John 15:4-NIV

...No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine.  
Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

**There are three critical areas that will shut down our faith, destroy our confidence, cutting off our access to God's power:**

**Complaining:** This is a negative attitude that keeps us from being thankful for all God has done, for what He's doing, and will do.

### 1Corinthians 10:10-Passion

10 *And we must not embrace their ways by complaining—grumbling with discontent*, as many of them did, and were killed by the destroyer!

**Self-pity:** excessive, self-absorbed unhappiness over one's own troubles.

It is simply a poor me attitude.

### Hebrews 12:2-GW

*We must focus on Jesus, the source and goal of our faith.* He saw the joy ahead of him, so he endured death on the cross and *ignored the disgrace it brought him.* Then he received the highest position in heaven, the one next to the throne of God.

**Pride:** It takes credit for what God has done and steals His glory. It makes us independent of God, and we can't bear good fruit apart from Christ.

### Proverbs 29:23-AMP

A man's pride will bring him low, but he who is of a humble spirit will obtain honor.