

Finding the *Possible* in the Impossible

“You want *me* to go *where*?”

Ben looked stunned as his pastor described the church’s upcoming missions trip to Brazil. “With your construction skills, I think you would be a tremendous asset to the missions team.”

No way, Ben immediately thought. *My construction skills are staying right here in my own town!*

But as the days passed, the issue of joining the team weighed heavily on Ben’s mind. He decided to go, but he would need the Lord’s help on the trip.

Weeks before the missions trip, Ben organized a prayer event at the church. Individuals of all ages committed to pray for the team at a specific time. Now, when he and his fellow team members ministered in Brazil, they would have their church’s prayer support twenty-four hours a day.

1. What fears do you think kept Ben from initially agreeing to join the missions team? What helped him change his mind?

2. Read Judges 7:1–3. What do you believe gave the 10,000 men with Gideon the willingness to fight the overwhelmingly stronger Midianites?

3. Why did God want to decrease the number of men in Gideon’s army (Judges 7:2)?

4. Are you currently facing a situation that seems impossible? What course of action could help you take your eyes off your weaknesses and rely on the Lord’s strength?