

FAITH IN A TOASTER REPAIR

A woman named Edna Butterfield shared a story about her husband, Ron, who once taught a class of mentally impaired teenagers.

Looking at his students' capabilities rather than their limitations, he taught them all kinds of marvelous things. He got them to play chess, restore furniture and repair electrical appliances –things that many people thought these kids were incapable of doing.

Most importantly, however, he taught them to believe in themselves.

One young fellow named Bobby proved in a very short time how well he had learned the lesson of believing in himself.

One day, he brought in a broken toaster to repair. He carried the toaster tucked under one arm and a half-loaf of bread under the other.

Now that's the way you show that you have confidence that you can fix a toaster – bringing some bread to place in it after it is repaired.

Faith in God is like that. Don't bring a toaster in for repair if you don't have the faith to bring a loaf of bread.

Faith is the belief that God cares for you and will provide for your needs.

And since we trust God, faith is also living in obedience to God's will.

Abraham, the first of the Hebrew patriarchs, is a great example of surrender to the will of God. He is called of God to leave the land of Ur in Mesopotamia and his people and journey to an undesignated place where he will become the founder of a new nation. At age 75, he obeys the call unquestioningly and proceeds with his barren wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, and other companions to the land of Canaan, between Syria and Egypt.

Abraham is pictured with various characteristics as a righteous man with wholehearted commitment to God.

Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, you shall be My treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is Mine (Exodus 19:5 ESV).



– Beecher Hunter