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## **Ears of Obedience**

By Talia Michel -- (Age 15)

*"Great moves of God are usually preceded by simple moves of obedience."*

- Steven Furtick

None of us really *enjoy* doing what we're told, especially when it's something we don't like doing. We never go, "Yay! I've been told to wash dishes and clean the house!" But what about uncomfortable situations? And what if it *wasn't* your parents, siblings or friends who asked you to do it? Maybe at one point you felt like God was telling you to go pray for somebody, or tell them something encouraging, a friend or a total stranger. Did you listen, or were you too nervous?

Jeremiah 42:6 says, "Whether it is pleasant or unpleasant, we will listen to the voice of the Lord our God to whom we are sending you, so that it may go well with us when we listen to the voice of the Lord our God." Listen means to hear or to do, so whether or not it is uncomfortable for us, we should *hear* and *do* what God says and asks of us, and our life "may go well with us." So will you listen?

(Scripture is taken from NASB Bible version.)

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## **Standing Alone -- Part Two**

By Sarah Schumacher -- (Age 18)

In 1 Kings 19:10-12 and 18 it says, "And he said, I have been very jealous for the Lord God of hosts: for the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away. And he said, Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the Lord. And, behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before the Lord; but the Lord was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but the Lord was not in the earthquake: And after the earthquake a fire; but the Lord was not in the fire: and after the fire a still small voice. Yet I have left me seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him."

In this passage, Elijah became very discouraged because he thought he was the only one who served the true God and not Baal. God told him to go stand on the mountain, so he would be free of distractions, and Elijah heard God's voice. He was not alone! God still had *seven thousand* who did not bow to Baal, or shown him worship.

When we get discouraged and feel like it is only us, we need to remember that God is standing right with us! And when we listen to His voice, which doesn't come when we are engrossed in everything around us, we will realize that God always has a faithful remnant of believers!

(Scriptures from the KJV Bible version.)

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## **How to Have Hope**

By Erin Short -- (Age 15)

*"Hope is the last thing ever lost."*

- Italian Proverb

The last year or two has left many people feeling hopeless. Let's just be real here. With everything going on, constantly leaving people feeling helpless, just carrying on with life has felt like an accomplishment for many.

We know that God is supposed to be our hope. Romans 15:13 says, ". . . By the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope." But how do actually live that out? When it seems like everything is falling apart, how are we supposed to react? Should we "fake it 'til we make it," and just attribute that to God? Or walk around a horrible, unkempt mess, mumbling that God is our hope?

*Of course not!* If we are really clinging to God, and *letting* Him be our hope, we no longer care that everything is out of our control. We realize we don't have to have all the answers. We don't need to be able to fix everything. We never will. Because God already *has* the answers. He *will* fix everything.

"For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees?" (Romans 8:24).

(NIV Bible translation.)

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