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## Sermon Title: Your Cliffs Have Names

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**Point to Remember:** You must be active, even aggressive, in pursuing the will of God for you and yours.

1. We are involved in a **battle**, both **external** and **internal**.
2. Our enemy does not fight **fairly**, but our God is **greater** than he is.
3. The mature believer realizes that we have a role to play in our spiritual **progress** and **success**. We each need to climb our **cliffs** to make progress and those cliffs have **names**.
4. There are no **guarantees** even with faith.
5. The desire for confirmation or a sign is a sign of **unbelief** not **faith**.
6. Sometimes God does not **act** on your behalf until you **act**.
7. Your action can have a **ripple effect**.

## Growth Group Questions

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#### WARM-UPS

1. Will you watch the Super Bowl? What do you enjoy most about the broadcast? Who do you expect to win?
2. How were you affected by the extremely cold temperatures this past week?



#### DISCUSSION

1. What did you find most challenging, helpful, or troubling in the sermon today and why?
2. In what ways do you recognize “fear” surfacing in your life? Is it preventing you from living in your God-given purpose? If so, how?
3. Is there an area of your life right now where you’re operating in “trust alone” with no guarantees of certainty or a perceived positive outcome? If so, what is it?
4. Are there good works God has been calling you to accomplish in His power that you’ve been neglecting? If so, what are they? What action steps do you need to take to get on track?
5. Can you name the cliffs you know you need to climb? If so, what are they?

#### IN THE WORD

Read some of the passages below and discuss any insights into today’s message.

- Ephesians 2:10
- 2 Corinthians 12:9
- 2 Corinthians 5:7

#### PRACTICE

- What steps are you currently taking to advance your spiritual progress and success? Is there something you need to do differently? What cliffs do you need to climb?
- Spend some time alone with God asking Him how to aggressively pursue His will and purpose for your life. What do you hear Him saying? Are you willing to trust Him and act in faith? If so, what do you need to do next?