

Transformers Transformed by Music

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Don't Let Satan Prevent You

—Opening Thought—

What prevents you from being all that you can be for God?

List at least one specific fear, worry, or inadequacy that you struggle with.

—Video of Mark Hall's Testimony, followed by the Discussion Song—"Voice of Truth" by Casting Crowns

Oh what I would do to have
The kind of faith it takes to climb out of this boat I'm in
Onto the crashing waves
To step out of my comfort zone
Into the realm of the unknown where Jesus is
And He's holding out His hand

But the waves are calling out my name
And they laugh at me
Reminding me of all the times
I've tried before and failed
The waves they keep on telling me
Time and time again. 'Boy, you'll never win!'
'You'll never win!'

CHORUS:
But the voice of truth tells me a different story
The voice of truth says, 'Do not be afraid!'
The voice of truth says, 'This is for My glory'
Out of all the voices calling out to me
I will choose to listen and believe the voice of truth

Oh what I would do to have
The kind of strength it takes to stand before a giant
With just a sling and a stone
Surrounded by the sound of a thousand warriors
Shaking in their armor
Wishing they'd have had the strength to stand

But the giant's calling out my name
And he laughs at me
Reminding me of all the times
I've tried before and failed
The giant keeps on telling me
Time and time again. 'Boy you'll never win!'
'You'll never win!'

But the stone was just the right size
To put the giant on the ground
And the waves they don't seem so high
From on top of them lookin' down
I will soar with the wings of eagles
When I stop and listen to the sound of Jesus
Singing over me

—Discuss the following points that Mark made in his testimony, and how it relates to your life:

1) Satan gives you buttons in the back of your head, along with a million reasons why you're not good enough.

What are your buttons? What are your excuses?

2 Corinthians 12:7-10: God's GRACE is SUFFICIENT
God wants us to show the world what He can do by allowing Him to work through our fears and inadequacies.

2) Once Satan tells you that you have a problem, the next thing he tells you is that you're the only one with that problem.

Have you ever felt like you're the only one with a problem? Have you been unable to talk about something that you are struggling with?

Proverbs 27:17, Hebrews 10:24-25: We should SHARPEN and SPUR each other on with love.

Romans 8:38: NOTHING can SEPARATE us from God.

3) Satan causes you to think that God can use others better than he can use you.

Do you compare yourself with others? How? Is it healthy or unhealthy?

Psalms 139:15-16, Ephesians 1:11: God has a purpose for EACH and EVERY person.

God doesn't want me (Acts 17:24-25),

He needs me (1 Timothy 2:3-4).

Fear and doubt go hand in hand and are of the devil. Faith and love go hand in hand and are of God.