



Key Scripture:

Psalm 101:2 NLT

I will be careful to live a blameless life—when will you come to help me?
I will lead a life of integrity in my own home.

What If...It floods?

Isaiah 59:19 NKJV

When the enemy comes in like a flood,
The Spirit of the Lord will lift up a standard against him.

What if...

- ✓ **Can get you second guessing your forgiveness.**

Genesis 50:15 CEV

After Jacob died, Joseph's brothers said to each other, "What if Joseph still hates us and wants to get even with us for all the cruel things we did to him?"

- ✓ **Can prevent you from sharing your faith.**

Exodus 4:1 NIV

Moses answered, "What if they do not believe me or listen to me and say, 'The Lord did not appear to you?'"

- ✓ **Can get you focused on the temporal damage.**

Proverbs 1:27 Message

What if the roof falls in, and your whole life goes to pieces?

What if catastrophe strikes and there's nothing to show for your life but rubble and ashes?

What If _____ happens to me?

"Even If" faith is a Bridge over "What If" Doubt.

Daniel 3:16-18 NLT

16 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego replied, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you. 17 If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God whom we serve is able to save us. **He will rescue us from your power**, Your Majesty. 18 But even if He doesn't, we want to make it clear to you, Your Majesty, that we will never serve your gods or worship the gold statue you have set up."

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It's Different

The Bridge

Cross The "Even If" Bridge of Faith

1. **Deduce you're not exempt from trouble.**

Matthew 5:45 NIV

He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good,
and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.

John 16:33 NIV

"I have told you these things, so that in Me you may have peace.
In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.

2. **Discern the rewards that can't be seen.**

James 1:2-4 CEV

2 My friends, be glad, even if you have a lot of trouble. 3 You know that you learn to endure by having your faith tested. 4 But you must learn to endure everything, so that you will be completely mature and not lacking in anything.

2 Corinthians 4:17-18 NIV

17 For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. 18 So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

3. **Deliver is what the LORD can do in times of trouble.**

Psalm 34:19 NKJV

Many are the afflictions of the righteous, But the Lord delivers him out of them all.

Psalm 50:15 NKJV

Call upon Me in the day of trouble; *I will deliver you*, and you shall glorify Me.

4. **Declare an "Even If" faith in the LORD.**

Daniel 3:18 CEV

But even if He doesn't, we still won't worship your gods and the gold statue you

John 11:25 CEV

Jesus then said, "I am the one who raises the dead to life!
Everyone who has faith in me will live, even if they die.

"Even If" Faith believes God can...but trusts Him even if He doesn't

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