



**How to Run Towards the Roar  
October 1 & 2, 2022**

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- Before the wise men follow the star, we know they find the Messiah.
- Before Peter gets out of the boat, we know he walks on water.
- Before Jesus is crucified, we know He rises from the grave.
- Before Benaiah kills the lion, we know he will be victorious.

**What task, job, person or problem is roaring loudly and threatening to destroy your life?**

**A God-sized dream is how God shows up in a God-sized way.**

**You can do nothing wrong and still do nothing right.**

## How to run towards the roar:



**Dream only dreams that are impossible to accomplish without divine intervention.**

Die with memories, not with dreams.

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**Divine intervention according to the Bible is:**

- **My confidence that everything I do for God's purposes works out for good.**

### **Romans 8:28 (NLT)**

And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.

- **My belief that God will be with me in suffering and success.**

### **Daniel 3:16-18 (NLT)**

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- **My courage to do the impossible in the Lord's name.**

### **Proverbs 13:12 (TPT)**

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### 3 Definitions of faith I must internalize and apply:

- Faith is the willingness to look foolish.
- Faith is facing my greatest fears head on.
- Faith is taking the first step, confident that God will show me the next step.

#### 1 John 4:18 (TPT)

Love never brings fear, for fear is always related to punishment. But love's perfection drives the fear of punishment far from our hearts. Whoever walks constantly afraid of punishment has not reached love's perfection.



**Remember** only those who run towards the roar do great things for God's glory.

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#### Benaiah's past can be my victory if I live three ways:

- Stay loyal to my mission.

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- Stand stronger against the opposition as you get older.

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