

CONFIDENCE



**So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded.
Hebrews 10:35 (NIV)**

Confidence is standing tall on a stage, even if your knees are shaking! Confidence is believing in yourself and knowing that you can do hard things. Confidence doesn't mean you're perfect! It just means you're brave enough to try. Have you ever felt nervous before a test, a game, or speaking in front of a crowd? That's normal! But when you remember that God made you with a special purpose and that He is always with you, it helps you feel stronger inside. Hebrews 10:35 says, "So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded." This verse reminds us that confidence is a gift from God and something we should hold on to. We can have confidence in our faith, our gifts, and our future because God sent His Son, Jesus, so we could have a relationship with Him. Confidence comes from trusting God and knowing He made you with special gifts for a reason. You don't have to be the best at everything; you just need to be willing to try. Things won't always go perfectly, but you can keep going because God is with you. Sometimes, confidence means doing the right thing, even when it's hard. It also means helping others feel brave, too, by being kind, encouraging, cheering them on, and sharing the good news of Jesus. When you believe what God says about you as His child, you'll start to walk with your head held high. Confidence isn't about showing off, it's about trusting that God made you for something good!

Extra verses: Proverbs 3:26, Philippians 4:13, Psalm 27:1