

A wide panoramic image of a night sky. The sky is a deep, dark blue, filled with numerous small, bright white stars. A prominent, bright yellow starburst with a four-pointed cross shape is centered in the upper half of the image. Below the starburst, the word "prayto" is written in a white, lowercase, sans-serif font. The foreground consists of dark, silhouetted mountain ranges with a textured, rocky surface, appearing to be illuminated from below, creating a subtle glow. The overall atmosphere is serene and celestial.

prayto

"Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you and your household (oikos)."

MYOIKOS
Who needs to know Jesus? Name them and keep track!

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

GURMIT SINGH

ONE NIGHT ONLY!
SATURDAY
DECEMBER 20
4PM & 7.30PM

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EVANGELISM P.R.E.P.
Preparation to reaching out to your loved ones!

REACH OUT FOR THEM
AND AN INVITE EVERYWHERE!

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A night sky with a bright star and mountains. The background is a deep blue and purple gradient, filled with numerous small, bright stars. A single, very bright star is positioned in the upper center, emitting a prominent four-pointed starburst pattern. Below the sky, the dark, silhouetted outlines of mountains are visible, creating a sense of depth and landscape. The overall atmosphere is serene and contemplative.

How do I know my faith is real?

Luke 1:26-38

26 God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee,

27 to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary.

28 The angel went to her and said, "Greetings, you who are highly favoured! The Lord is with you."

29 Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be.

Luke 1:26-38

- 30** But the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favour with God.
- 31** You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus.
- 32** He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David,
- 33** and he will reign over Jacob’s descendants forever; his kingdom will never end.”
- 34** “How will this be,” Mary asked the angel, “since I am a virgin?”

Luke 1:26-38

35 The angel answered, “The Holy Spirit will come on you,
and the power of the Most High will overshadow you.
So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.

36 Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age,
and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month.

37 For no word from God will ever fail.”

38 “I am the Lord’s servant,” Mary answered.
“May your word to me be fulfilled.”
Then the angel left her.



Some very bold claims were being made here ...

1. Mary would give birth to a child even though she was a virgin.
2. This child to parents of humble upbringing would be called great, given the throne, and his kingdom would never end.
3. Her older relative who was “unable to conceive” was pregnant.

... it sure would take a lot of faith to believe any of this would come true.

Mary went from ...

1:29 Mary was greatly troubled at his words

to

1:34 “How will this be?”

to

1:38 “I am the Lord’s servant. May your word to me be fulfilled.”

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Two keys to knowing your faith is real

1. The **root** of our faith

What is the basis of your beliefs? What is the source of your surety?

2. The **fruit** of our faith

What distinguishes faith from fat hope?

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1. The **root** of our faith

What is the *basis* of your beliefs? What is the *source* of your surety?

A. What we believe must be based on more than feelings.

How was Mary feeling?

“She was greatly troubled.”

“Do not be afraid.”

“How will this be?”

It’s a good thing she didn’t allow her feelings to define her reality!

Every feeling is *valid*. But not every feeling is *helpful*.



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A. What we believe must be based on more than feelings.

B. What we believe must be based on more than our finite minds.

Mary's knowledge at that point was limited to what she saw.

She saw herself, a virgin.

She saw Elizabeth, "unable to conceive".

She could not see the future.

She could not read God's mind.



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“Where were you when I laid the earth’s foundation?

Tell me, if you understand.

Have you ever given orders to the morning,

or shown the dawn its place?

Do you know the laws of the heavens?

Can you set up God’s dominion over the earth?”

A stone stable with a glowing light inside, set against a dark, starry night sky.

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Other people said that Elizabeth could not have a child.

God said otherwise.

But God didn't just say it ... God made it happen.



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D. The more evidence we have, the more it informs what we believe.

If God was right about Elizabeth, and right about Mary conceiving ...
why would Mary have reason to doubt anything else God says?



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“For no Word from God will ever fail” is a bold statement.
Because, if any Word ever fails, the whole house of cards falls apart.

Who would dare issue such a claim ... unless it is true?

A stone stable with a glowing light inside, set against a dark, starry night sky. The stable is built of rough-hewn stones and has a thatched roof. A bright light emanates from the open doorway, illuminating the interior and casting a glow on the surrounding dark landscape. The sky is filled with numerous small, bright stars.

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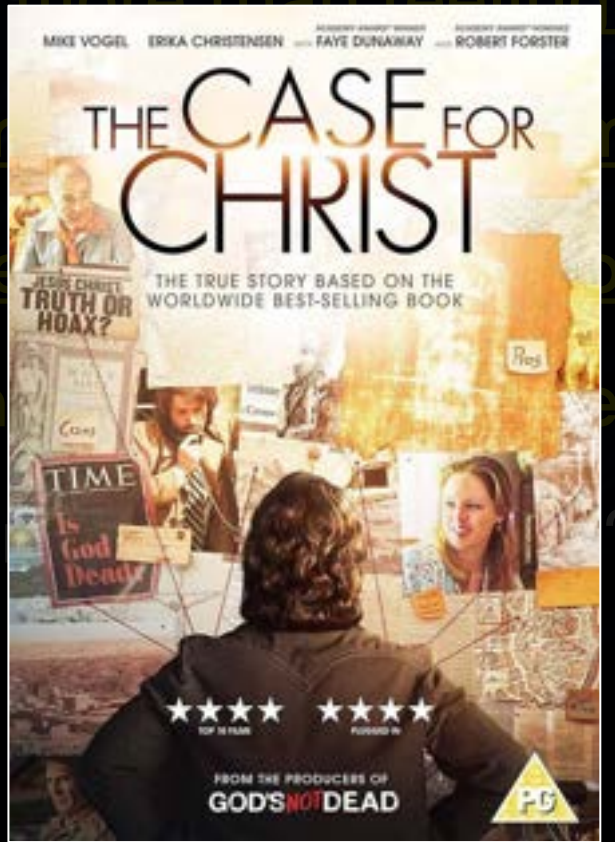
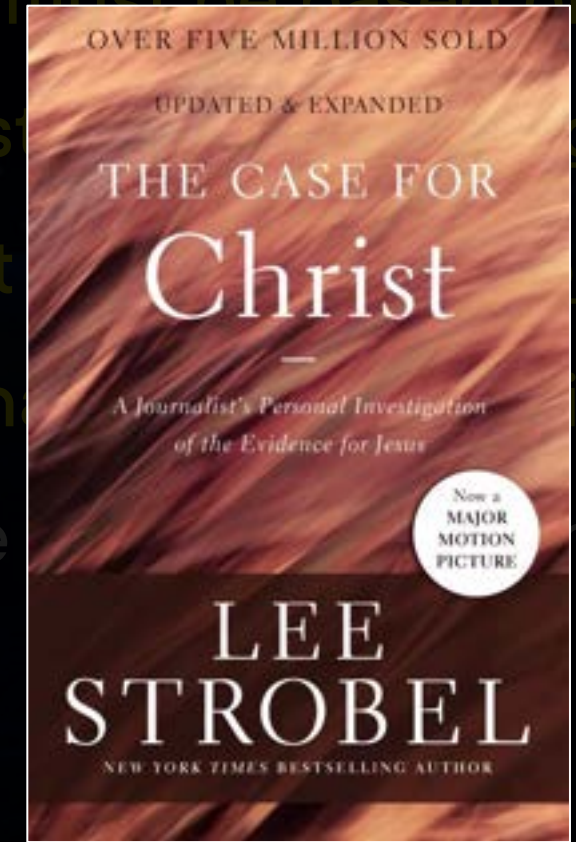
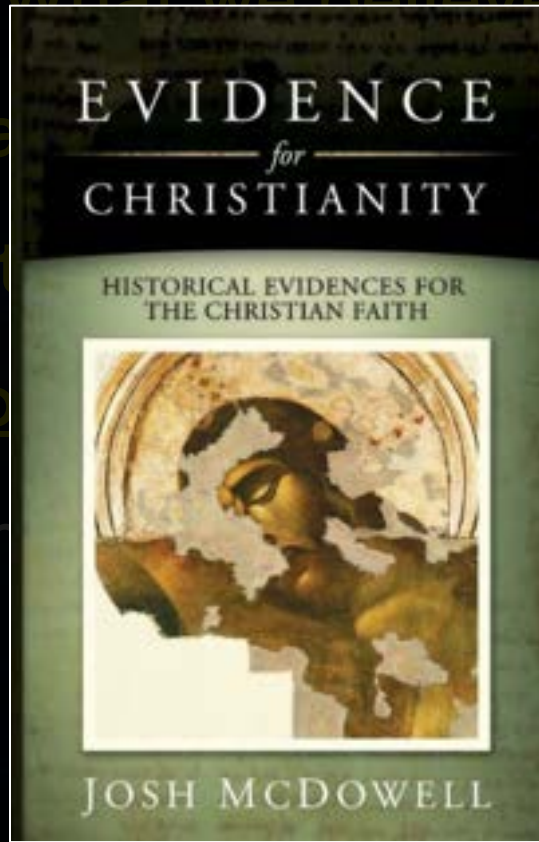
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The question is, are we open to examining the evidence?



Speaking of evidence ... join us next Sunday (Dec 21) for:
What is the *basis* of your beliefs? What is the *source* of your surety?

HOW DO I KNOW CHRISTMAS IS REAL?



A stone stable with a warm light inside, set against a dark, starry night sky. The stable is built of rough-hewn stones and has a thatched roof. A bright light emanates from the open doorway, illuminating the interior and casting a glow on the surrounding landscape. The sky is dark blue with numerous small white stars.

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So ... what is faith?

It is a belief not merely based on feelings,
not finitely limited by our minds, not merely on what man tells us.

It is a belief, backed by evidence, that if there is a God,
and He is all-powerful ... and He can accomplish what He promises;
and if He is all-knowing ... then His Word will never fail;
and if He is all-loving ... then His Word is good for us and worth believing!

Faith is our confidence in the faithfulness of God.



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So ... what is faith?

“Now faith is the assurance (*confidence*) of things hoped for, the conviction (*evidence*) of things not seen.” HEBREWS 11:1

The root of our faith is not what we know or see ...
but that God knows and sees everything.

The proof of faith is when the “things not seen” actually come to pass, just as Mary experienced. When we personally see the evidence of God.

And *that's* when we learn He truly is all-powerful, all-knowing, all-loving!

The background of the slide is a wide, panoramic night scene. In the foreground, the dark, silhouetted forms of two people are visible on a rocky ridge. One person is riding a donkey, and the other stands beside it, holding a long staff. They are looking out over a vast, dark landscape. In the distance, a city with many lights is visible, nestled in a valley. The sky is a deep, dark blue, filled with numerous bright, twinkling stars. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

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**Mary had to wait exactly 3 and 9 months
to prove if God's word was true.**

**The time between hearing the promise and
the fulfilment of the promise is what we call the test of faith.**

**But once tested and proven, this should breed in us
Conviction • Confidence • Assurance in the Maker of the promise.**



2. The **fruit** of our faith

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**This is important because there is ONE test of faith that can only be
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2. The fruit of our faith

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“... though now for a while **you may have to suffer grief in all kinds of trials (tests)**. These have come **so that the proven genuineness of your faith** ... may result in praise, glory and honour **when Jesus Christ is revealed**. Though you have not seen Him, you love Him; and **even though you do not see Him now, you believe in Him** and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving **the end-result of your faith: the salvation of your soul.**



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Until then, we draw confidence from our lived experiences/evidence of FAITH MADE REAL. When God comes through in undeniable ways!

The Body of Christ forms a body of evidence that YES, God is real.

Whenever someone has a verifiable, personal experience of God, God is reminding us that He is all-powerful, all-knowing and all-loving.

Even better when that someone is YOU!



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STORIES OF FAITH #1

EVIDENCE OF THE REALITY OF A GOD WHO IS
ALL-POWERFUL, ALL-KNOWING & ALL-LOVING



WILLIAM LOKE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
BETHESDA CARE SERVICES

Oct 2025 Blood test results

KIDNEY PROFILE (BLOOD)		RESULT	UNIT	REF.RANGE
Sodium	钠	141	mmol/L	(136 - 145)
Potassium	钾	* 3.3	mmol/L	(3.5 - 5.1)
Chloride	氯化物	98	mmol/L	(96 - 108)
Urea	尿素	29.1	mg/dL	(16.6 - 48.5)

Potassium is a [mineral](#) that your body needs to work properly. It is a type of [electrolyte](#). It helps your nerves to function and muscles to contract. [It helps your heartbeat stay regular.](#) It also helps move nutrients into cells and waste products out of cells. A diet rich in potassium helps to offset some of [sodium's](#) harmful effects on blood pressure.

<https://medlineplus.gov/potassium.html>



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26 Nov Blood test results

KIDNEY PROFILE	RESULT	UNIT	REF RANGE
Sodium	143	mmol/L	(136 - 145)
Potassium	** 2.5	mmol/L	(3.5 - 5.3)
Chloride	98	mmol/L	(96 - 106)
Urea	5.05	mmol/L	(2.76 - 8.07)

Referral Letter

NAME: LOKE WENG HONG

To: Emergency Medicine (A&E)

Dear colleague,

Kindly review for significant hypokalemia, chest discomfort. Thank you.



WILLIAM LOKE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
BETHESDA CARE SERVICES

Discharged 26 Nov • Flew off 27 Nov

L My Docume... **X**

**DECLINING ADMISSION /
REQUESTING DISCHARGE
DURING HOSPITALISATION
AGAINST MEDICAL ADVICE
(AMA)**

NAME : LOKE WENG HONG

**PART I : DECLARATION
AND
CONSENT/ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

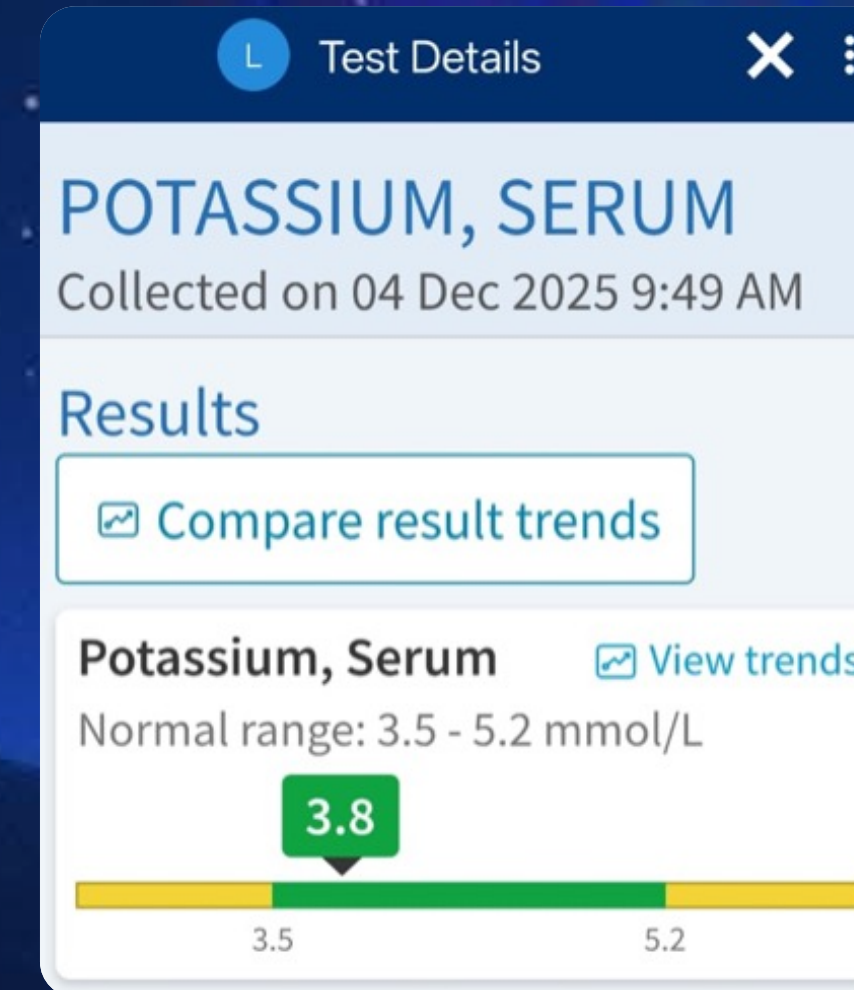
(by patient / on behalf
of patient)

I declare that I have declined
treatment, including investigations,
for LOKE WENG HONG against
medical advice by refusing to be
admitted to National University
Hospital.



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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
BETHESDA CARE SERVICES

Returned 1 Dec • Checkup on 4 Dec



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STORIES OF FAITH #2

EVIDENCE OF THE REALITY OF A GOD WHO IS
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South China Morning Post

The Philippines Asia / Southeast Asia

Typhoon Kalmaegi: Philippines declares state of emergency after storm kills at least 140

Kalmaegi, which battered the country with deadly floods, is heading to Vietnam where officials are treating it as 'dangerous'

Reading Time: 3 minutes



ASIA

Typhoon Kalmaegi leaves 114 dead, 127 missing in Philippines, many in province recovering from quake

Most of the deaths were reported in the central province of Cebu, which was pummeled by Kalmaegi on Tuesday, according to a local official.



PATH OF DESTRUCTION
TYPHOON LASHES VIETNAM AFTER KILLING 114 IN PHILIPPINES

salt&light

Donation drive this Sunday (16 Nov) for typhoon-hit areas of Cebu in the Philippines

Salt&Light // November 12, 2025, 3:35 pm



Typhoon Kalmaegi left large parts of Talisay City in Cebu, the Philippines, devastated and under a

Thursday, 4 December

8:31

Emergency Alert

now

NDRRMC (8:11PM,04Dec25) Red Rainfall
Warning sa Cebu. Asahan ang matinding
pag-ulan, pagbaha at pagguho ng lupa.

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National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council Red Rainfall Warning
“Expect heavy rains, flooding and landslides.”

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**HEAVY RAINFALL
WARNING**

RED

TORRENTIAL rainfall within one hour and expected
to continue in the next three hours. Serious flooding
in low-lying areas and near waterways. High risk of
landslides. Evacuate from danger zones to safer
areas due to flooding and landslides.

Today, we begin our two-day Jesus Fiesta Christmas celebrations! Families from disaster-hit slums have been invited to come for a time of songs, food and relief goods distribution. The skit that our team has spent months preparing will also be shown today (and tomorrow)! Then Joel from our team will be sharing the gospel.

It is currently raining here (the usual kind of rain we experience in Singapore). Pls pray that the rain stops so that Jesus Fiesta can proceed without a hitch, and that families can make their way here safely. The gospel will go forth!

9:02 AM



Heavenly Father,
We lift up to You the Jesus Fiesta 🙏🎁🎄🌟 happening today and tomorrow. Thank You for the joy, hope, and love ❤️ that this celebration brings to the families who have endured so much. We pray Your covering and favor over every part of this outreach.

Lord, we ask that the rain would cease and that the weather would be calm and clear, so that families from the disaster-hit communities can travel safely and experience Your presence without hindrance. Let nothing disrupt what You desire to do in their hearts.

9:05 AM





Jesus Fiesta is gonna start soon! 😊🔥
2:01 PM

And the rain has stopped!!!! 😄😄
Edited 2:01 PM



Weather is good today! No rain at all 😊 they're
now experiencing the Cebu heat 🔥🔥🔥
10:07 AM





LATEST NEWS

TD Wilma now poses ‘low rainfall risk’ for Cebu — Pagasa

By: Pia Piquero - Multimedia Reporter - CDN Digital | December 06,2025 - 01:18 PM

Engineer Al Quiblat, chief of the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (Pagasa) Mactan, said on Saturday, December 6, that while Wilma remains active, its effects on Cebu are limited.

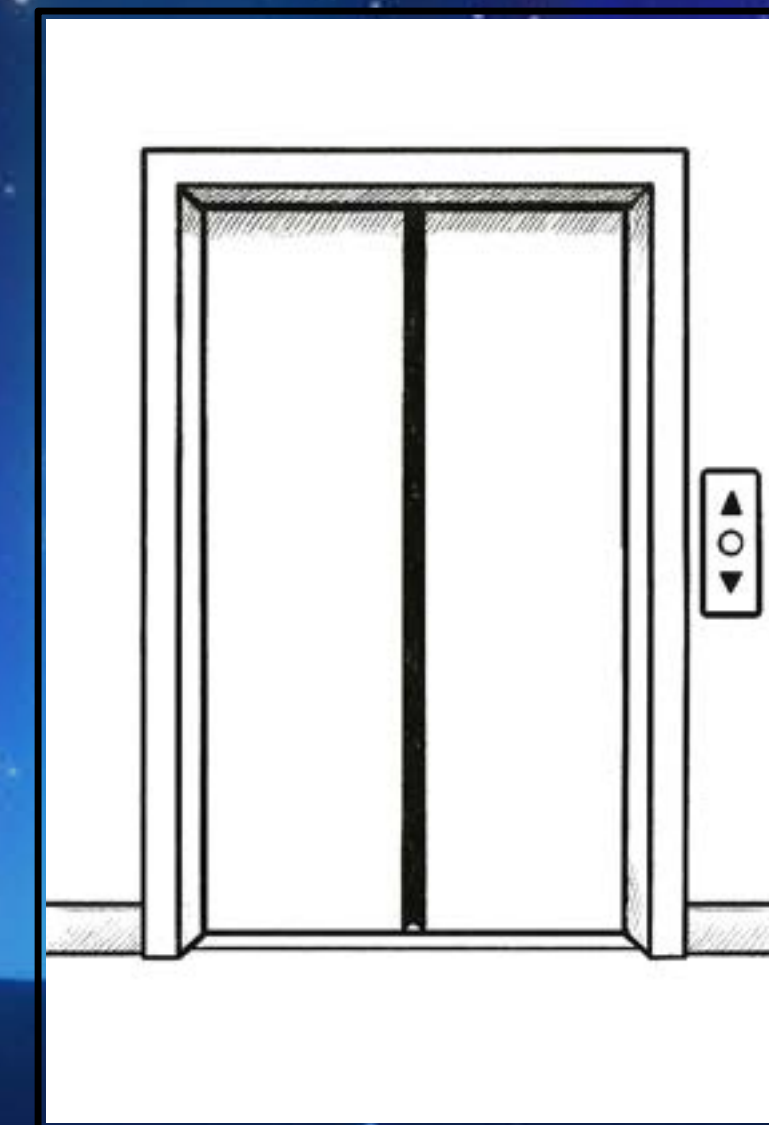
“Wilma’s cloud rain bands didn’t affect us much because they got disorganized by the [northeast monsoon]. Wilma’s cloudiness [...] and rain shifted to South Luzon due to this change in typhoon behavior. It’s a weak storm. Initially, we expected heavy rains here in Cebu, but as I said, Wilma’s rain clouds were disorganized and had no center.”

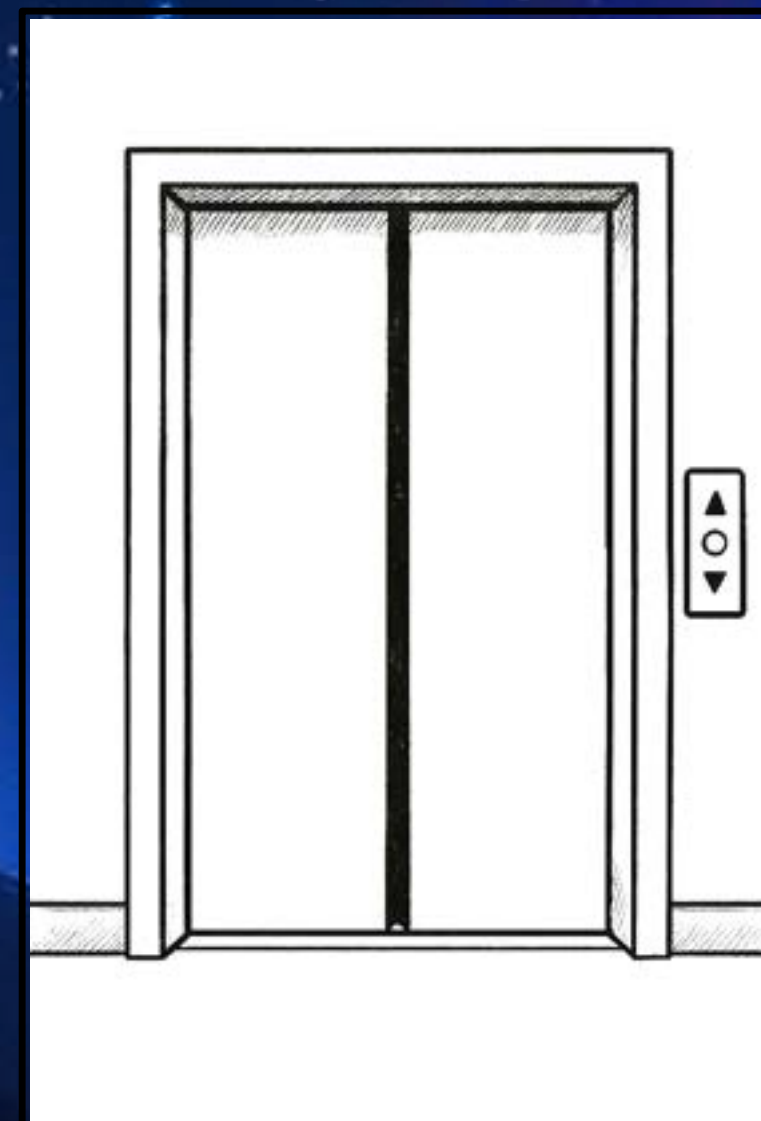


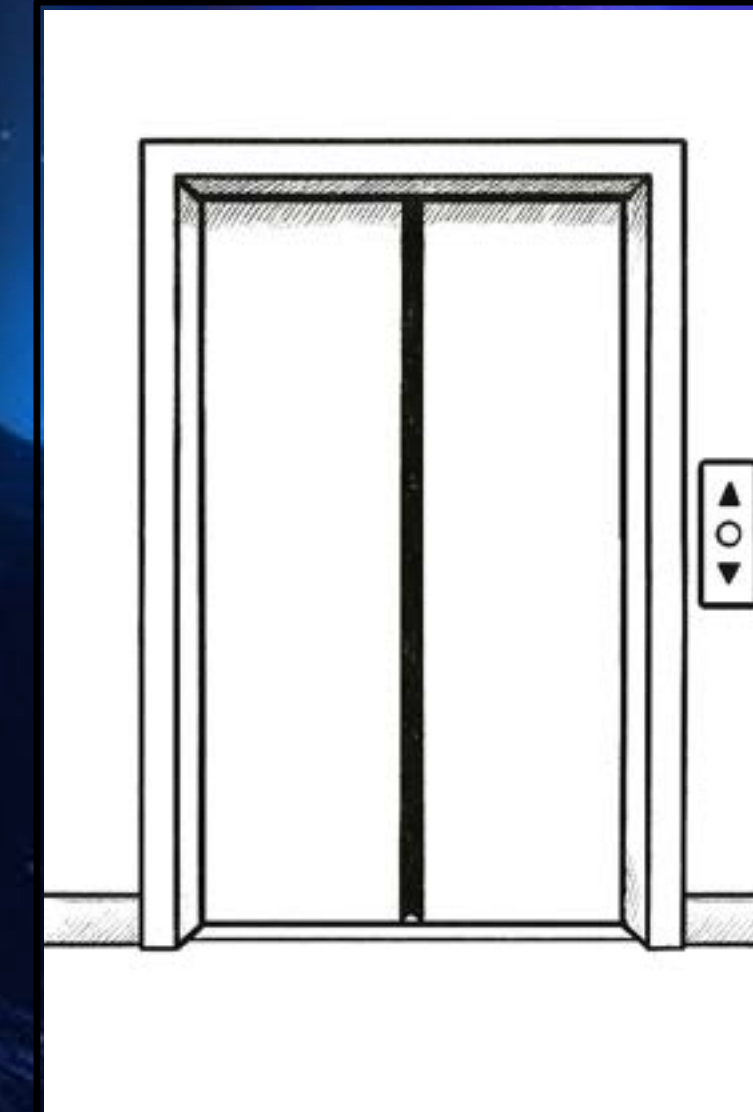
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STORIES OF FAITH #3

EVIDENCE OF THE REALITY OF A GOD WHO IS
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What now?

I don't have all the answers.

I don't have *absolute clarity*.

What I have is faith: The *absolute conviction* that **my God is faithful** and **His Word will never fail.**



What about you?

Do you have the reality of a God who is *all-powerful, all-knowing, all-loving* in your life?

God is real.

His love is real.

Faith is justified.

Will you take the next step of faith?