

SERMON NOTES FOR SUNDAY – AUGUST 30, 2009
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TITLE: “Victory Over Your Doubts”

TEXT: Matthew 14:22-33

INTRODUCTION: *“Why did you doubt?”* (verse 31) WHAT A QUESTION! From the very beginning of time, Satan has been sowing the seeds of doubt ... *“Hath God said?”*

C. Neil Strait said ... “Doubts can be valuable if they force a man to search deeper and longer for answers. For to pursue the doubts is to come upon some exciting beliefs and truths.”

I: KNOWING GOD

1. Have a big God ... that is the surest way to live victoriously. Note this scripture: *“Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen”* (Hebrews 11:1).
2. See this God as an enabler (Philippians 4:13)
3. See Him as the Creator ... *“In the beginning God....”*
4. See Him even in your trouble... *“even if God slay me, I will trust Him”* (Job 13:15).

II: DOING EXPLOITS

1. Doubt holds you back
2. Doubt paralyzes creativity
3. Doubt will keep you out of the Kingdom

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths” (Proverbs 3:5-6).

CONCLUSION: Story of Madalyn Murray O’Hair at an Ohio college years ago ... perhaps the

first time in her life she couldn't open her mouth to say something.