

Episode 3: “Acts of Faith”

Our beliefs can be powerful guiding forces enabling us to endure and overcome some of the most difficult situations. In this episode, everyone faces a challenge, and they find their strength from a variety of sources. In Topeka, Kansas, Judi Bergquist visits her son’s killer in prison with the hope that the act of forgiveness will help them both move forward with their lives. Next, under the blue sky of Guanajuato, Mexico, Enedina Cuellar Pacheco is riding on horseback with Christ’s Cowboys in the hopes that a miracle heals her son who suffered traumatic injuries in a car accident. Together with thousands of riders, she makes the rigorous trek to the iconic 65-foot-tall statue of Cristo Rey. Finally, on Pentecost, Vanuatu, a small island in the South Pacific, a young boy named Bebe will participate in a death-defying rite of passage into manhood. Bebe will bravely dive off a giant wooden tower with just a tree vine tied around his ankles, participating in a sacred ritual that his tribe believes blesses the soil for a bountiful harvest.

Questions to consider:

- What stood out most for you in this episode?
- What new insight did you gain from “Acts of Faith”?
- How have your beliefs helped you endure difficult moments?

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