…is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us. ~ Ephesians 3:20b (NASB 1995)

Faith isn't just really believing that God will always do what I want Him to do! Faith is trusting God even IF He doesn't!

God, we KNOW that You CAN, and we HOPE that You WILL! But EVEN IF You don't... my hope is in YOU ALONE! YOUR WILL BE DONE!

Faith is the confidence that God is exactly who HE SAYS HE IS and that He will do everything HE HAS PROMISED TO DO! That's Biblical Faith!

CHRISTOPHANY ~ a fancy theological word for an appearance of JESUS CHRIST before He was born in BETHLEHEM!

The same God who was with them in that furnace is with you in yours as well!

Though the fig tree should not blossom And there be no fruit on the vines, Though the yield of the olive should fail And the fields produce no food, Though the flock should be cut off from the fold And there be no cattle in the stalls, Yet I will exult in the Lord, I will rejoice in the God of my salvation. ~ Habakkuk 3:17–18 (NASB 1995)

God is not asking you to pretend your pain isn't real!

In everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. ~ 1 Thessalonians 5:18 (NASB 1995)

The deepest thanksgiving doesn't come from believing that everything in my life is good! It comes from believing that God is good, even when everything in my life is not!

WHAT'S YOUR IF FACTOR?

WHAT IF? ~ don't wait until what you have is gone to recognize what a blessing it is!
IF ONLY? ~ Don't miss the life He has given you while you are waiting for the life you want!
EVEN IF? ~ Keep believing that our God is able! But also keep trusting Him, whatever the outcome! Even death is not the end!

Our greatest reason for Thanksgiving isn't something we have! It's Someone we know!

WAIKOLOA COMMUNITY CHURCH

TODAY IN WORSHIP ~ NOVEMBER 22, 2026

E KOMO MAI! ~ WELCOME

We hope you experience God's wonderful aloha today!

Restrooms are located in our Multi-Purpose Building across the courtyard, on the right side of the building. ***Aloha Riders Kids Church*** for toddlers through 5th grade takes place at the same time in our Multi-Purpose Building.

❖ WHAT TO EXPECT IN WORSHIP

† Welcome & Opening Worship Set
Meet & Greet and Announcements
Life Application Message
† Closing Song
† Blessing/Benediction

(Please place Offering & First Time Cards in the Yay God Boxes in the lobby)
† ***Please stand if you are able.***

❖ take the PLUNGE!

Let's go deeper. Weekly discussion questions about the message are available with each message at www.WaikoloaCC.org/messages/

❖ SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WORSHIP EXPERIENCES: Sundays
Common Grounds - 9:15am - WCC Courtyard
Adult Worship Experience - 9:30am - Worship Center & Online Live
Aloha Riders Kids Church - 9:30am - Multi-Purpose Building
Common Grounds - 10:45am - WCC Courtyard
ALOHA GROUPS: WCC Small Groups
See the church website, WaikoloaCC.org or contact the Church Office for days, times and locations.
MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays - 7pm - @ Hovde's
OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday - Friday ~ 9am - 1pm and by appointment

Watch Online: Waikoloacc.org/live/ **OR** Waikoloacc.org/messages/ **OR** youtube.com/@WaikoloaCommunityChurch

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Loving God! ~ Loving People! ~ Catch The Wave!



❖ MESSAGE NOTES

THE IF FACTOR

WHAT IF: RECOGNIZING WHAT WE HAVE! THE GRATITUDE FACTOR!

If tomorrow you woke up with only the things you thanked God for today … what would you have left?

If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good to those who ask Him! ~ Matthew 7:11 (NASB 1995)

The problem isn't that God hasn't given us enough to be thankful for. It's that we've stopped noticing what He's already given us!

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God. Whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father. ~ Colossians 3:15–17 (NASB 1995)

Bless the Lord, O my soul, And all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, And forget none of His benefits; ~ Psalm 103:1–2 (NASB 1995)

IF ONLY: RESISTING THE DESIRE FOR MORE! THE CONTENTMENT FACTOR!

IF ONLY has a way of turning yesterday's blessing into today's disappointment!

For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing forth in valleys and hills; a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive oil and honey; a land where you will eat food without scarcity, in which you will not lack anything; a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. ~ Deuteronomy 8:7–9 (NASB 1995)

When you have eaten and are satisfied, you shall bless the Lord your God for the good land which He has given you. ~ Deuteronomy 8:10 (NASB 1995)

Beware that you do not forget the Lord your God by not keeping His commandments and His ordinances and His statutes which I am commanding you today; otherwise, when you have eaten and are satisfied, and have built good houses and lived in them, and when your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and gold multiply, and all that you have multiplies, then your heart will become proud and you will forget the Lord your God who brought you out from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. ~ Deuteronomy 8:11–14 (NASB 1995)

Otherwise, you may say in your heart, "My power and the strength of my hand made me this wealth." ~ Deuteronomy 8:17 (NASB 1995)

But you shall remember the Lord your God, for it is He who is giving you power to make wealth, that He may confirm His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day. ~ Deuteronomy 8:18 (NASB 1995)

Because sometimes the greatest danger isn't forgetting God when life gets HARD! It's forgetting Him when life gets EASY!

Not that I speak from want, for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am. ~ Philippians 4:11 (NASB 1995)

AUTÁRKĒS - GREEK ~ content

I can do all things through Him who strengthens me. ~ Philippians 4:13 (NASB 1995)

If you're waiting until you have everything you want before you become thankful for what you already have …you will never be thankful!

EVEN IF: TRUSTING GOD WHEN LIFE FALLS APART! THE FAITH FACTOR!

...if you do not worship, you will immediately be cast into the midst of a furnace of blazing fire; and what god is there who can deliver you out of my hands? ~ Daniel 3:15b (NASB 1995)

Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego replied to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to give you an answer concerning this matter. If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire; and He will deliver us out of your hand, O king." ~ Daniel 3:16–17 (NASB 1995)

YĀḴIL - ARAMAIC ~ able

*But **even if He does not**, let it be known to you, O king, that we are not going to serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up. ~ Daniel 3:18 (NASB 1995)*