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BELIEF AND TENNIS GLORY

Two weeks ago, tennis star Elena Rybakina won the women's singles final at Wimbledon. Though she was born in Russia, she moved to Kazakhstan and has been playing for them for four years. "I'm really happy representing Kazakhstan," she said before the finals. "They believed in me." In the final match, Rybakina, then ranked #17 in the world, gained glory by defeating #3-ranked Ons Jabeur in three sets. She again hailed Kazakhstan's belief in her, noting that the president of their tennis federation had come to some of her matches. "It's really a big thing," Rybakina said. "It's unbelievable support, which I just appreciate."

BELIEF AND GOD'S GLORY

Four days after Lazarus had been laid in his tomb, Jesus arrived at the home where Martha and Mary grieved the death of their brother. Jesus assured Martha that her brother would rise again. And while her great faith allowed her to believe in Jesus' power to resurrect, Martha's still believed they would find a rotting corpse if they opened Lazarus' tomb. Jesus gently reminded her that if she believed in him, she would see the glory of God—and after Jesus prayed, Lazarus emerged from the tomb alive.

1. How does someone's belief in you help you perform at a high level?
2. Whom do you know who needs someone to believe in them today?
3. When have you believed God and seen His glory?

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