

Living By Faith – Faith Like Moses – Week 4 – 7-21-24 – Pastor Jason

1. Do you like road trips?
2. What's your most memorable road trip?
3. Do you have the spiritual gift of faith?
4. How do you respond when your needs or wants are not met? (When you are hungry, tired, disappointed or stressed)
5. Pastor Jason said that "God is all that you need!" What are your thoughts about that statement?

***Exodus 16:2-3 - In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. <sup>3</sup> The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the Lord's hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death."***

6. The Israelites had been walking in the desert and were tired, hungry and discouraged. What do you think about their response in these verses?
7. The Israelites had seen God work through the plagues in Egypt and in parting the Red Sea to save them from slavery and the Egyptians. Is it surprising that they now wish they had died back in Egypt?

***Exodus 16:4-8 - Then the Lord said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. <sup>5</sup> On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days." <sup>6</sup> So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you will know that it was the Lord who brought you out of Egypt, <sup>7</sup> and in the morning you will see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?" <sup>8</sup> Moses also said, "You will know that it was the Lord when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the Lord."***

8. What do you think about God's response to their hunger?
9. God says in verse five that this was a test to see if the Israelites would follow his instructions. What do you think about God testing us?
10. God provided food for the people, but they had to go out and collect it according to his instructions. How does God provide for us, but require us to act in order to receive his provision?

***Exodus 16:19-30 - Then Moses said to them, "No one is to keep any of it until morning." <sup>20</sup> However, some of them paid no attention to Moses; they kept part of it until morning, but it was full of maggots and began to smell. So Moses was angry with them. <sup>21</sup> Each morning everyone gathered as much as they needed, and when the sun grew hot, it melted away. <sup>22</sup> On the sixth day, they gathered twice as much—two omers for each person—and the leaders of the community came and reported this to Moses. <sup>23</sup> He said to them, "This is what the Lord commanded: 'Tomorrow is to be a day of sabbath rest, a holy sabbath to the Lord. So bake what you want to bake and boil what you want to boil. Save whatever is left and keep it until morning.'" <sup>24</sup> So they saved it until morning, as Moses commanded, and it did not stink or get maggots in it. <sup>25</sup> "Eat it today," Moses said, "because today is a sabbath to the Lord. You will not find any of it on the ground today. <sup>26</sup> Six days you are to gather it, but on the seventh day, the Sabbath, there will not be any." <sup>27</sup> Nevertheless, some of the people went out on the seventh day to gather it, but they found none. <sup>28</sup> Then the Lord said to Moses, "How long will you refuse to keep my commands and my instructions? <sup>29</sup> Bear in mind that the Lord has given you the Sabbath; that is why on the sixth day he gives you bread for two days."***

***Everyone is to stay where they are on the seventh day; no one is to go out.”<sup>30</sup> So the people rested on the seventh day.***

11. What stands out to you about these verses?
12. Why do you think that some people didn't listen to what God had commanded?
13. Why do we sometimes not do what God asks of us?
14. Is there something that God is asking you to do that you haven't been doing, or something that He asks you not to do that you have been doing?
15. Pastor Jason said that, “everything of this world spoils”. What are your thoughts on that?
16. How do you hold on to and value things that won't last?
17. How does valuing temporary things prevent us from valuing eternal things?

***2 Corinthians 4:16-18 - Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.<sup>17</sup> For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.<sup>18</sup> So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.***

18. What would it look like for you to live your life with eternity in mind?