

RUNNING WITH GIANTS #5

Moses, Peter & Jesus Life Group Notes



CONNECT QUESTIONS

If you could have any one super power – what would you choose?

Have you ever re-gifted something – what was it and did you get away with it?

Joshua 23:14 ^{MSG} “As you can see, I’m about to go the way we all end up going. Know this with all your heart, with everything in you, that not one detail has failed of all the good things God, your God, promised you. It has all happened. Nothing’s left undone—not so much as a word.

This verse reminds us of the faithfulness of God – be encouraged – not one thing he has promised will be left undone – God will complete the work He has begun in your life!

Pastor Ric and Marissa have just returned from time in New York – and Ps Ric was sharing about the enormity of the city (8.5 million people) and the incredible weight of humanity. We know God hears our prayers, and just how miraculous this is was magnified amongst so many people. In the face of such big crowds, the questions were asked – How will I be heard? What difference can I make? We may feel small or insignificant compared to the world, or to the giants of faith in the Bible – but the reality is – God wants to connect with us!

How is your connection with God at the moment? Is your connection 2-way? We can also have incredible encounters with God – its all about daily choices and staying in faith!

Moses had an incredible connection with God – he was face to face with God 80 days up a mountain – yet Moses missed out on entering the promised land – Check out **Deuteronomy 32:50-52**. Why do you think Moses was disqualified from entering the land?

Moses assumed his calling would fix his character! Moses was rejected throughout his life, and this resulted in anger – and his lack of control stopped him from entering into all that God had for him. What is that thing deep in your life that will stop you from entering into all that God has for you?

The good news is that God is LOVE! He loves us and wants to redeem those areas of our lives that might otherwise hold us back. He is all about character development. Consider Peter – a disciple of Jesus who the day before Jesus was arrested declared he would never leave him. When Jesus was arrested, Peter was fearful and ended up denying he knew Him. Jesus made a way back for Peter (and he makes a way back for us to! Check out **John 21:15-17**. Jesus didn't ask Peter if he had repented, or spent time feeling sorry – he asked Peter if he loved him! Why do you think this was the most important question?

Perfect love casts out all fear! When we truly open our hearts and both love God and trust Him with all that we are – we are filled with His power – **Check out John 14:26**. Do you completely trust the Holy Spirit?

Read **Revelation 3:19-21**. Our times are in God's hands – as we love Him wholeheartedly He will give us the desires of our hearts! The power of the Holy Spirit is available to us so we can live as Jesus did! How will you step out in faith today?

PRAYER

Pray that we would have strong connections with God and live as Jesus did – stepping out in faith.

Pray for any areas of your life that need some character development – and thank God for his love in the journey of growth!