Book Club 2023 Albert Tate Trusting a God Who Goes Off Script

When the people saw that Moses was so long in coming down from the mountain, they gathered around Aaron and said, "Come, make us gods who will go before us. As for this fellow Moses who brought us up out of Egypt, we don't know what has happened to him." ²Aaron answered them, "Take off the gold earrings that your wives, your sons and your daughters are wearing, and bring them to me." ³So all the people took off their earrings and brought them to Aaron. ⁴He took what they handed him and made it into an idol cast in the shape of a calf, fashioning it with a tool. Then they said, "These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt."

Exodus 32:1-4 NIV

God is known for His beautiful hospitality.

... "I believe; help my unbelief!" Mark 9:24 ESV

The best way to wrestle with God is with God.

Bring your doubts. Bring your questions.

The best way to doubt is in community.

What do you do when God's timing isn't your timing?

What do you do with a God who goes off script?

Our relationship with God is not a negotiation.

What are you <u>longing</u> for, and what are you <u>reaching</u> for? Do you know the difference?

The kind of rest that you're longing for is the rest that only comes from God.

One thing have I <u>desired</u> ... that will I <u>seek after</u>; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD ... to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple. Psalm 27:4 KJV

What do you do with a disobedient God? You trust Him. You reach for Him.

TALK IT OVER

Read **Exodus 32:1-4**. What stands out to you in this passage? How do you respond when you feel like God is taking too long to answer your prayers?

Sometimes we long for something that only God can give us, but we reach for other things to meet that need. What are you longing for right now, and what are you reaching for?

Is there a situation where you feel like God has gone off script? Talk about that with your LifeGroup and spend time praying together.

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