

MESSAGE TO CONVERSATION GUIDE

Week 2 | I'll Never Give You More Than You Can Handle

- 1. In this message, Joel started out by telling a story from his honeymoon when he went windsurfing. When he started, he thought *this is easy, I can handle this!* Until he had to go the other way. That's when he realized, *I can't handle this! I need help!* Have you ever thought, *I got this* & then you realized *no I don't!* Any examples?
- 2. In this series we're looking at things that lots of people believe God said, but *God Never Said That.* This message looked at the idea that *God will never give you more than you can handle.* Have you heard that before? Did you think it was true?
- 3. The reason we think God said He'll never give us more than we can handle, most likely comes from 1 Corinthians 10:13. Read that verse & discuss what that's talking about.
- 4. Does it surprise you that Moses, Elijah, David, Paul & even Jesus (read Mark 14:33-34) all experienced things they couldn't handle? Why or why not?
- 5. In this message, Joel said, *sometimes God will let us have more than we can handle SO THAT we learn to depend on Him.* What do you think that means?
- 6. Read Jonah 2:2. Did Jonah call out to God in his *success* or his *distress*? How do you interact with God differently during periods of success versus distress?
- 7. Sometimes when life is raining on our parade, we can think *God, where are you? Are you even real?* In this message, we were reminded to *never let the presence of a storm, make you doubt the presence of God.* Read Psalm 145:18 & discuss.
- 8. In this message, Joel said, *I'd rather be in the storm with Jesus than in the sunshine without Him.* Why would he say that & where do you land on it?
- 9. In this message, Joel said, *sometimes God will let us have more than we can handle SO THAT we can experience His strength.* To give clarity to that, we talked about how *we aren't created to have all the strength ourselves; we were created to NEED God.* Read 2 Corinthians 12:9-10 & talk about why that is.
- 10. What's your 1 takeaway from this message?