

Small Group Questions

1/10.16

Dale Oquist Speaking

GETTING TO KNOW YOU:

1. What instructions did your mom or dad usually repeat multiple times before you went off on your own?

LOOKING BACK:

Verse: Joshua 1:1-9

We continued our series called BSAC, which stands for the theme of Joshua chapter 1 – BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS. Joshua 1:1-9 is not a call to military service, but a call to obedience. Typically, a military commander would be given tangible goals and objectives for how to fight the battle. Here, however, God does something different: He calls Joshua to obey, to trust His every command. God is not calling His people to do something in the power of their own strength. He is calling them to obedience and trust! If Joshua does what He is told, He will prosper!

DIGGING DEEPER:

2. God gives some specific instructions to Joshua about his relationship to God's Word and his success (v7-8). Summarize these instructions and this relationship- between obedience to God's Word and success? What does obedience look like?
3. Can you think of a time when you turned "to the right or to the left" of what God's Word says? How did it turn out?
4. How could the words "prosperous" and "successful" be misunderstood? Is it a promise of lots of money and no suffering? What does it mean to be prosperous and successful?

TAKING IT HOME:

On Sunday, Dale shared this (Warren Wiersbe's) 3-question test to help us know if we are "walking in obedience."

1. Did I obey the will of God?
2. Was I empowered by the Spirit of God?
3. Did I serve to the glory of God?
5. Right now, how is God asking you to apply this test to any areas of your life (family/marriage, finances, career, ministry, etc.)?

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