



Day 20

Isaiah 55:8-9

David was chosen by God and anointed as King when he was 17 years old, but he didn't sit on the throne until he turned 30. The process from the fields to the palace included playing in a band, carrying the King's luggage, and hiding in caves as a wanted fugitive.

At 17, Joseph had a dream from God that he would be a powerful leader. It took 22 years for that promise to come to fruition. His path included being betrayed by his brothers, sold into slavery, falsely imprisoned, and being constantly overlooked.

As a young, unwed, pregnant teenager, Mary was told her baby would be the savior of the world, and would be a King that ruled forever. That process would take 33 years, and did not end as many had thought. Jesus would be rejected, despised, mocked, survive assassination attempts, only to be stripped naked and crucified on the cross.

The Bible is full of stories of God answering prayers with a different HOW than we'd expect. How God answers our prayers often looks different than our expectations. In prayer, God is always in the driver's seat. He chooses the route, the timing, the stops.

What's the HOW that you need to yield to God?

Pray: "God, help me to surrender the process over to You. Help me to trust Your ways, knowing that they are higher than mine. Help me to trust in You no matter what turns in the path come in my life. Help me to trust in Your timing, and be patient as I wait on You today."