



15 YEARS IS JUST THE BEGINNING

## Pt. 3: 15 Years In The Making

Questions for further study and application:

- Day 1 Nothing stops a movement dead in it's tracks like distractions. Distractions will get you off track, and potentially miss out on God's plan for you. There are all kinds of distractions in our lives, the busyness of your schedule, your phone, the TV, or worries and doubts. Read Mark 4:19. The enemy will always use distractions to try to keep you from drawing closer to God. Ultimately, distractions take your focus off God and shifts it to things that are so much less important. Think about what absorbs your time and distracts you from experiencing God's best for you.
- Day 2 Read Hebrews 11:8-10. God called Abraham to move and he faithfully obeyed without necessarily knowing what the outcome would be. There may be times in your life when God is prompting you to move and it doesn't make much sense. He will use different things to guide you. Your finances may change, relationships may fade away, or your plans may be interrupted. Changes like this in your life can trigger worry and anxiety; this is where your faith in God's plan for your life comes into play. When you feel like your faith is wavering, read Jeremiah 29:11. Take heart knowing He has a plan to give you hope and a future.
- Day 3 As you move forward in your future, you want to grow and become a better version of yourself. You have goals that you're striving towards that require perseverance, focus, and faith. One way to accomplish this is to be planted in a church. Read Psalm 92:12-14. When you are planted somewhere, you take root; you're not moving from place to place. When you grow roots, you begin to see your life flourish and prosper. God's promise to you is that you will experience greater growth, greater success, and greater maturity when you make a commitment to remain planted where He has placed you.
- Day 4 Read Joshua 4:20-24. God instructed the Israelites to set up an altar so they could remember all that God had done for them. When you look back over your life, what kinds of stones represent all that God has done to bring you to the place you are today? What prayers have been answered? When has He said the exact thing you needed to hear so you could be encouraged? These are the stones you need to stock pile in your life when you feel your faith wavering. If you find yourself having trouble moving forward, look back to see where God has shown up. Use those moments to establish your own altar to help you remember that God is always faithful.
- Day 5 Gratitude for what God has done in the past is what fuels the movement forward. Read Psalm 9:1. Admit it, there are times in your life where it's difficult to be thankful because you've experienced pain or loss. Maybe your schedule is so busy you simply forget to thank God. It may during these very times that you are feeling like you can't move forward. Taking time to thank God for the blessings in your life can help propel you. Start by looking for the good that is already present in your life, and give thanks to your Father.

## What's New?

Celebrate Easter at Waters Edge on March 31 or April 1. There will be 10 identical services on all four of our campuses, and no tickets are required. This year, we will also be having a Good Friday service at our Newport News campus on March 30 at 7:00 PM.