Believing God for Big Things August 25[,] 2024 Pastor Lane Olson New Song Community Church Sermon series: Reaching for a New Normal

Truth in a nutshell: It is critical for entering the new normal that God has for us that we rise to the level of believing our big God for big things. God can give us things that are beyond our comprehension. The issue is never the size of the problem, but rather how big our vision of God is. We need to learn to take big faith steps walk in the favor and Blessing that God has for us.

Text: Joshua 10:1-6 (NLT)

A. How do you handle the big challenges in our lives?

1. You believe your big God for big things.

Joshua 10:7-8 (NLT)

- 2. You need a word from God. (Gilgal)
- 3. Your connection to the source.
- 4. Your perspective of how big God really is changes in His presence.

B. We still have to do Battle for big things.

Joshua 10:9-11 (NLT)

- 1. Our faith action moves the hand of God.
- 2. When we do battle, and do what we can do, God multiplies the effectiveness of our efforts.
- 3. God fought for them but the Hailstones fell after they moved in Faith.

C. We have to pray bold prayers for big things.

Joshua 10:12-14 (NLT)

1. He prays publicly.

- 2. Prayer is a huge game changer.
- 3. This Bold prayer was for something that no one had ever seen before.
- 4. God the creator has total control over all creation.

Colossians 1:16-17 (NLT)

D. Things that inhibit Bold prayers.

- 1. You won't pray for Big things if you don't believe that God can or will do big things.
- 2. We are reluctant to Pray for what we have never seen before.
- 3. We only pray for things to the limit of what we can understand.

Note: When you get to the place where you are praying for things beyond what you can understand or have seen or heard. That is the place God wants your prayer life to be.

Ephesian 3:20a (Msg) God can do anything, you know—far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams!

E. This Bold Prayer was honored.

- 1. God has given us access to His power.
- 2. Bold prayers have to move beyond the limits of what we have seen or can understand.

Joshua 10:14 (NIV)

3. No limits.

Next Steps: Today I am:

- 1. Giving my life to Jesus
- 2. Praying for Big things in my life.
- 3. Asking God to give me faith to Pray Bold prayers for big things.
- 4. Asking God to give me faith to Battle for big things.