



Joshua Series: “The Journey of Faith”

“THE GOD OF A SECOND CHANCE”

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*2 You shall do [the same] to Ai and its king as you did to Jericho and its king; [except that] you shall take only its spoil and its cattle as plunder for yourselves. Set up an ambush for the city behind it [on the west side].” **Amp***

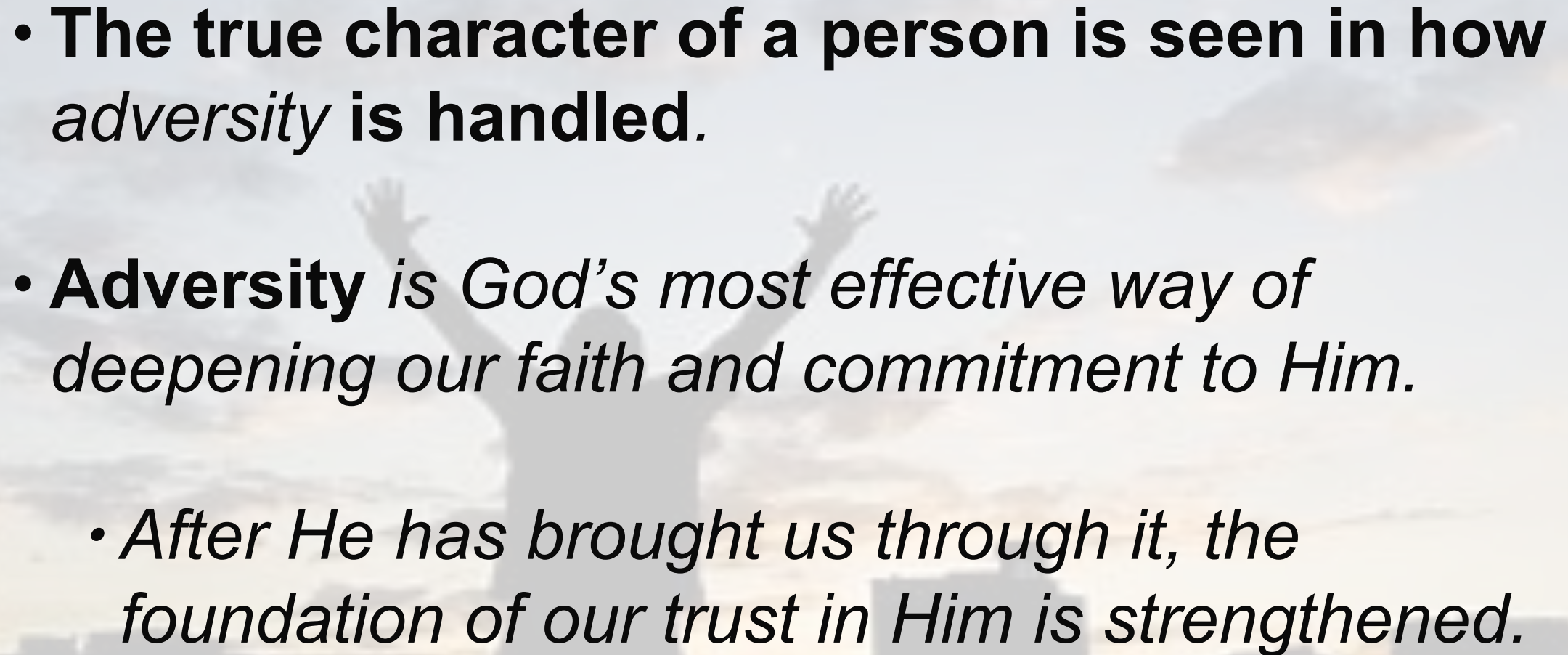
**Time and time again, we are reminded that
The Word of God, “The Bible,” is:**

“The gospel of good news.”

(Is. 52:7), *“How beautiful and delightful on the mountains
Are the feet of him who brings good news,
Who announces peace, Who brings good news of good
[things], Who announces salvation, Who says to Zion,
“Your God reigns!” Amp*

I. FAILURE IS NOT FINAL

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- A person is shown from the waist up, silhouetted against a bright sunset or sunrise sky. Their arms are raised in a gesture of prayer or praise. The background is a soft, hazy landscape with some buildings visible in the distance.
- **The true character of a person is seen in how *adversity* is handled.**
 - ***Adversity* is God's most effective way of deepening our faith and commitment to Him.**
 - *After He has brought us through it, the foundation of our trust in Him is strengthened.*

(1 John 1:9)

*“If we [freely] admit that we have sinned and confess our sins, He is faithful and just [true to His own nature and promises], and will forgive our sins and cleanse us continually from all unrighteousness [our wrongdoing, everything not in conformity with His will and purpose].” **Amp***

II. THE ENEMY'S TRIUMPH IS ONLY TEMPORARY

(Josh. 8:2), *“You shall do [the same] to Ai and its king as you did to Jericho and its king; [except that] you shall take only its spoil and its cattle as plunder for yourselves. Set up an ambush for the city behind it [on the west side].”* **Amp**

(Ps. 27:1-3, 14)

*“The LORD is my light and my salvation—Whom shall I fear?
The LORD is the refuge and fortress of my life— Whom shall
I dread?*

*²When the wicked came against me to eat up my flesh, My
adversaries and my enemies, they stumbled and fell.*

*³Though an army encamp against me, My heart will not
fear; Though war arise against me, Even in this I am
confident....*

14 Wait for and confidently expect the LORD; Be strong and let your heart take courage; Yes, wait for and confidently expect the LORD.” **Amp**





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Our sins can never be greater than the grace of God, and our failure can never be greater than the love of God.