No More Excuses

November 19, 2022

Read Chapter 3: *No More Holding Back*

1. Discuss why we may choose to do nothing when we aren’t sure what to do next.
2. Why are we more apt to try and “fix” things ourselves than to rely on God?

Discuss a time you tried to fix something on your own. What happened?

Cite some Bible examples and/or some Scripture than shows why it often fails when we try and fix the problem ourselves.

Discuss a time you let God fix something in your life. What happened?

Cite some Bible examples and/or some Scripture that reminds us to let God handle the problem His way.

1. Why is it that we either resist or reject His plan?
2. Why is faith such an important part of letting God handle the problem?

Why does God choose to work differently in a very similar situation?

1. In light of our discussion, discuss Isaiah 55:8-11.
2. Read the following and discuss: “One of the things I want you never to lose sight of is that when God called people to do spectacular things in the Bible, those things were typically larger than they were.” (pg. 51)

What Biblical examples prove that this is true?

What thing has God called you to do in the past that was beyond your ability? What happened?

1. Read II Kings 13:4-18. How had King Jehoash failed to follow God’s plan? What was the result?

Why do we sometimes hold back “some of the arrows” from doing all that God asks of us for complete victory?

We might tend to think that a partial victory is better than no victory and be content with that. Why is that thinking faulty? Why do we need to completely trust in God?

1. Read II Peter 1:3-4 and discuss it along with the following statement from the author: “The promises of God are true. But rarely do God’s promises arrive apart from your participation. Likewise, the level of your participation affects the experience of the promise.”

If God is all powerful, why does He need us to do anything?

1. What do we need to do to embrace God wholeheartedly that will put aside our excuses for not going after what God has asked us to do? How do we empty our quiver of faith?
2. What is it from I Corinthians 3:12-14 that moves us forward?
3. What is God calling you to do that is bigger than you and requires complete surrender?

Next month: Chapter 4 – *No More Allowing for Immorality* – December 17, 2022