

He Got Us OUT to Get Us IN A Study in Joshua

SUSTAINED or SATISFIED

1. What is the big picture reason that God delivered Israel out of bondage (Deuteronomy 6:23)?

2. According to Exodus 3:7-8 what are the two specific reasons that God lead Israel out of Egypt?

3. How, if at all, does that apply to us today? How does it apply to you?

4. For the nation of Israel what was the practical difference between being sustained and being satisfied (Nehemiah 9:20-21; Deuteronomy 8:4; 29:5)?

5. What's the difference for us today?

6. What evidence in your life would help you know whether or not you're sustained or satisfied? How would others know? [see Philippians 4:4-9 for some ideas]

7. What are some areas of your life where you've settled for being sustained rather than satisfied?
 - a. *What were the people lacking (from God's perspective; Eph. 1:3; 2 Peter 1:3) to cross the Jordan take the land?

 - b. *Based on Numbers 13-14 what was the difference between how the 10 spies and how the 2 spies (Joshua & Caleb) viewed God?

8. According to Hebrews 3-5 what is the sin of unbelief?

9. What are some examples of Israel demonstrating this sin?

10. What are some examples in your life where you struggle with unbelief?
11. Why does the sin of unbelief seem so attractive (Heb. 3:12-13)?
12. What were the consequences of unbelief for the Israelites (Heb. 3:7-11, 16-19)?
13. What are the consequences of unbelief for us today (Heb. 3:12-13; 10:38)?
14. *What created the fear that kept God's people from taking the land?
15. *Why did the people fear the giants more than they feared God (2 Corinthians 5:7)?
16. *What are the giants in your life right now and how do you overcome them?
17. *Joshua was on mission so are we...what is it (Matt. 22:36-40)? Where is it (Matt. 28:19)?
18. *What fears (giants) keep us from being on mission?

Faith Step:

Invite an unbelieving neighbor over for dinner/dessert/coffee. Don't be discouraged if they say no, you will demonstrate "loving others" just by asking!