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National
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Church

Date & Sermon Series:

March 11/12; Long Story Short

Speaker: Pastor Mark Batterson

Scripture Focus: Joshua 1:1-6

Note to Leaders:

This weekend we discussed the Conquest. These questions provide a framework to prompt or foster discussion in addition to what is in your Long Story Short Curriculum Booklet. Don't feel you have to use all or any of these questions and you don't have to make it to the end! Use the questions that best fit your group and let discussion flow.

Sermon Series Questions:

1. What did God reveal to you?
2. What are you going to do about it?
3. What is one element of God's character you learned?

Specific Questions:

1. Pastor Mark says, "When the Spirit of God prompts a promise in your heart, you better obey." What promise(s) is God stirring in your heart and prompting you to obey today? Where have you disobeyed and need to ask for forgiveness?
2. Joshua 3:5 tells us to consecrate ourselves. Living a consecrated life means to "de-throne" yourself. How can you start to consecrate yourself today?
3. Pastor Mark says often times, "We want God to make the first move and to part the river. When in reality, he is asking us to stand in the river and get our feet wet." Where are you waiting on God to make the first move? Where do you need to take the first step?
4. In Joshua 4, we see that the Lord instructed they build an altar to serve as a memorial so that they would remember all that He had done for them. Where is God asking you to build an altar? What altars can you building for generations who will come after you?

5. When are times where you've had the opportunity to:

- Follow the ark
- Consecrate yourself
- Step into the river

How did you respond to each of these? Do you wish you had responded to any of the opportunities differently?