

# Beyond Part 1 – Living Beyond Pastor Dave Patterson 03.11.2023

#### **USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE**

We have provided all the Scriptures references in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to discuss the weekend message.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together. Give priority to the needs and pace of your group members.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships. Use the discussion questions as you see fit but emphasize the relationships.

## [Ephesians 3:20-21, AMP]

Now to Him who is able to carry out His purpose and do superabundantly more than all that we dare ask or imagine, infinitely beyond our greatest prayers, hopes, or dreams, according to His power that is at work within us. <sup>21</sup> To Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations forever and ever. Amen.

## "Buildings are not eternal but what happens inside of them is."

## [1 Corinthians 1:27-28, NIV]

But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are

#### [Joshua 1:1-3, NLT]

<sup>1</sup> After the death of Moses the LORD's servant, the LORD spoke to Joshua son of Nun, <sup>2</sup> Moses' assistant. He said, "Moses my servant is dead. Therefore, the time has come for you to lead these people, the Israelites, across the Jordan River into the land I am giving them. <sup>3</sup> I promise you what I promised Moses: "Wherever you set foot, you will be on land I have given you.

#### [Joshua 3:1-4a, NLT]

<sup>1</sup> Early the next morning Joshua and all the Israelites left Acacia Grove and arrived at the banks of the Jordan River, where they camped before crossing. <sup>2</sup> Three days later the Israelite officers went through the camp, <sup>3</sup> giving these instructions to the people: "When you see the Levitical priests carrying the Ark of the Covenant of the LORD your God, move out from your positions and follow them. <sup>4a</sup> Then you will know which way to go, since you have never been this way before

#### [Joshua 3:5, NIV]

Joshua told the people, "Consecrate (sanctify) yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do amazing things among you."

## How do we live in the Beyond?

- 1. Live fully available
- **2. Step into the waters** (The faith stance)

#### [Joshua 3:8, 14-16, NLT]

<sup>8</sup> Tell the priests who carry the ark of the covenant: 'When you reach the edge of the Jordan's waters, go and stand in the river.' <sup>14</sup> So the people left their camp to cross the Jordan, and the priests who were carrying the Ark of the Covenant went ahead of them. <sup>15</sup> It was the harvest season, and the Jordan was overflowing its banks. But as soon as the feet of the priests who were carrying the Ark touched the water at the river's edge, <sup>15</sup> the water above that point began backing up a great distance away at a town called Adam, which is near Zarethan. And the water below that point flowed on to the Dead Sea until the riverbed was dry.

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**3. Move with the community God is leading** (All together, all in!)

#### [Joshua 3:17, NLT]

The priests who carried the ark of the covenant of the LORD stopped in the middle of the Jordan and stood on dry ground, while all Israel passed by until the whole nation had completed the crossing on dry ground.

## **Key Points**

- 1. Live fully available
- 2. Step into the waters (The faith stance)
- 3. Move with the community God is leading (All together, all in!)

## Applications for the Week:

This week dive into your Beyond Journey guides and participate in the daily devotions. Discuss with your group what God is showing you and what He is having you do to step out into the Beyond.

## **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. What is one thing you are hoping for or excited about in the future?
- 2. What do you think God has for us as a church in this next era?
- 3. Why do we continually stretch or reach in our faith?
- 4. How do we supernaturally live in the beyond? What strategies are necessary for us to do this as a community?
- 5. What does living in the Beyond mean and what does it look like?
- 6. Where is God taking you and your family that you have never been before? Considering that, how can you sanctify yourselves for those specific purposes?
- 7. How available are you to God in this season of life?