Reset Pastor Dave Patterson

USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

We have provided all the Scriptures referenced in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to facilitate a discussion.

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.

While the questions are important, remember your small group's goal is not to pound through the questions but to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships, so knock yourself out with the discussion questions but spend more time laughing than answering the questions.

[1 Kings 19:19-21 The Message]

Elijah went straight out and found Elisha son of Shaphat in a field where there were twelve pairs of yoked oxen at work plowing; Elisha was in charge of the twelfth pair. Elijah went up to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha deserted the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Please! Let me kiss my father and mother goodbye—then I'll follow you." "Go ahead," said Elijah, "but, mind you, don't forget what I've just done to you." So Elisha left; he took his yoke of oxen and butchered them. He made a fire with the plow and tackle and then boiled the meat—a true farewell meal for the family. Then he left and followed Elijah, becoming his assistant.

RESET = to start again, to set, to adjust or fix in a new or different way:

1. Consider the moment

[2 Corinthians 6:2]

"In the time (Kairos) of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you." I tell you, now is the time (Kairos) of God's favor, now is the day of salvation.

[1 Kings 19:20]

Elijah replied, "Go on back, but think about what I have done to you."

2. Initiate necessary endings

[1 Kings 19:21]

"So Elisha returned to his oxen and slaughtered them. He used the wood from the plow to build a fire to roast their flesh. He passed around the meat to the townspeople, and they all ate. Then he went..."

PRACTICAL STEPS TO RESET

- a. Join the "all-church-fast" from January 8th-28th
- **b. Start the year with the RESET book.** "building a consistent prayer life"
- c. Get in a group
- d. Read through the Bible in 2018
- 3. Wear the custom coat (mantle) you've been given

[2 Timothy 2:1]

Timothy, my dear son, be strong through the grace that God gives you in Christ Jesus.

[2 Corinthians 5:19-20 (AMP)]

For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation (that is, restoration to favor with God). So we are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. (as Christ's representatives) We speak for Christ when we plead, "Come back to God!"

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Get in the conversation.

- 1. After hearing the message on Favor two weeks ago, and marking your calendar in expectation of Gods favor, have you already seen His favor released in your life?
- 2. Have you ever needed a "do over", or a "reset" in life? What made you feel that way?
- 3. How can we stay in tune to Gods voice so we don't miss His call for a reset?

Take it a step further.

- 4. There is a custom designed "mantle" or calling on your life, have you identified it? If so how have you been implementing that call into your life? If not, how can we find it and walk in it?
- 5. What in your life requires you to initiate a necessary ending for you to effectively pick up the mantle He has for you?
- 6. Why is it important to operate in the gifting God gave you and not the gifting of others?

Take home.

7. Of the four practical applications (fasting, prayer, groups, Bible reading) which one or how many do you need

to implement? What will you do this week to implement them?