

Possessing the promised Land

Session 2 – “Stalled starters in possessing the land”

The Journey from Egypt to Canaan

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Stalled Starters in the process of possessing the promised land

- When God calls someone to reveal and carry out His plan He is not looking for perfect and Holy individuals but for humble and obedient ones
- God is persistent, patient and powerful in His relationship with His called
- Mankind is impulsive/impatient/inconsistent but is restless without the peace of God within them.
- Success of the mission is due to God's persistence with the imperfection of the mankind than the man's perseverance

STALLED STARTERS

- These are people who had reasons to refuse/object/delay their calling citing various reasons and excuses
- They were people who knew it was God who was calling them
- The stalling delays or derails the plan that God had through them
- The stalling robs the peace within and causes restlessness
- There are also people who responded immediately
- Both were used by God when they allowed God to work in them and through them

STALLED STARTERS

- Abraham

Genesis 11:27-32 Acts 7:2-4

Partial obedience is obedience delayed

Cause here was cultural and traditional bondage

Luke 9:59-62

STALLED STARTERS

- Moses

Exodus 2:11-15

Passionate patriotism can end up in Rejection/Disappointment/Depression

God's mission done in man's way ends up in dryness and depression God's mission also includes God's timing and God's ways.

STALLED STARTERS

- Moses II

Exodus 3:11-4-17

Sense of inferiority- Who am I?

Sense of insecurity- Who are you?

Sense of uncertainty- What if they don't accept?

Sense of inadequacy- What if I can't do it?

Sense of instability – What if?

STALLED STARTERS

- Naomi and Orpah

Ruth 1:1-22

Worldliness is replacing God's calling with world's norm

- Esther

Esther 4:11

Fear for life- Self preservation and risk avoidance are spontaneous responses of the flesh

- Jeremiah

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Awareness of limitation more than the ability of God

Immediate Starters

- There were some immediate starters
 - Noah
 - Elisha
 - Isaiah
 - Mary
 - Peter, James and John
 - Zacchaeus

God persevered with the stallers and
preserved the starters

Our Position

- Are we connected to God?
- Are we ready to go?
- Are we delaying to respond?
- Are we afraid to look/listen/ seek?