

Sermon 8/1/21

“God and the Impossible”

Bible Readings:

Exodus 16:2-4

Matthew 19:23-26

Re-read the passage.

- What is your best customer service experience?
 - What was your worst?
 - Is it easier to remember the good or the bad?
- What do you say, or how do you react to God when He tells you it’s “impossible” to do what you want?
 - How unsettling is are those moments to you?
- JD talked about the fact that Noah and Abraham were faced with the impossible and persevered. Being asked by God to do the impossible, and being asked to believe the impossible and more. They must have doubted a lot of what God told them.
 - What would you have told them?
 - How do you persevere in you doubt?
- Matthew couldn’t see himself of any worth to God or even to be a disciple of Christ.
 - What would you have told them?
 - Do you see yourself like Matthew did?
 - How do you think God sees you?
- How do you react to the idea “that it is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than a rich man to enter the kingdom of God”?
 - Do you rationalize this like they did in the middle ages when they came up with the “Needle’s Eye Gate” story?
 - Do you simply trust?
 - Do you “kinda, sorta believe”?
- JD talked about the wonderful Hymn *Amazing Grace*. In this song that we sing, we God’s grace is not predictable, understandable or small.
 - How do you describe God’s Grace?
 - What does God’s grace mean to you?
- Reaching out to God for the Impossible is an attitude we should and often do find ourselves in every day. JD talked told how God took the Israelites into the desert where they would be thirsty, and they would be hungry.
 - Where do you have to be to cry out to God to do the impossible?

- As JD reminded us the kids called out “Trust Jesus!” all week; and he asked “how long will it take until they forget? How long until the memory fades?”
 - So, how long does it take you to forget to trust Jesus?
 - What can you do to help yourself remember?
 - How can you help others to remember to “Trust Jesus!”?

- How will this week’s sermon help you live differently?