Feb. 11, 2024 HOW TO STRETCH MY GODLY IMAGINATION

Key verses

No eye has seen, no ear has heard, and no mind has imagined what God has prepared for those who love Him. **1 Corinthians 2:9** NLT

With God's power working in us, God can do much, much more than anything we can ask or imagine. **Ephesians 3:20** NCV

ENVISION HOW GOD CAN USE YOU Joshua 1:1-11

1. LET GO OF DOUBT

"Anyone who doubts is like a wave in the sea, blown up and down by the wind... They should not think they will receive anything from the Lord." James 1:6-7 (NCV)

"Be bold and strong! Banish fear and doubt! For remember, the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9 (LB)

WHAT CAUSES US TO DOUBT?

- 1) COMPARING MY ABILITIES TO OTHERS
- 2) REMEMBERING MY PAST FAILURES

2. LOOK FOR <u>A PROMISE</u>

"I promised Moses I would give you this land, so I will give you every place you go in the land." Joshua 1:3 (NCV) "Now my time has come to die. Every one of you knows...that God has given you all the good things that He promised. Every promise He made has been kept; not one has failed." Joshua 23:14 (GN)

THREE PROMISES TO THOSE WHO LIVE FOR GOD

- 1) STRENGTH (Joshua 1:5)
- 2) SUCCESS (Joshua 1:7)
- 3) SUPPORT (Joshua 1:9)

"Always remember what is written in this Book... Study it day and night to be sure to obey everything that is written there. If you do this, you will be wise and successful in everything." Joshua 1:8 (NCV)

3. LEAN ON THE LORD

"No one will be able to defeat you all your life. Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forget you."

Joshua 1:5 (NCV)

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart. And do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him. And He will make your paths straight." **Proverbs 3:5-6 (NAS)**

4. LAUNCH OUT IN FAITH

"Then Joshua issued instructions to the leaders to tell the people to get ready to cross the Jordan River." Joshua 1:10-11 (LB)

"If you wait for perfect conditions, you'll never get anything done!"

Ecclesiastes 11:4 (LB)

"God can do anything, you know - far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams! He does it not by pushing us around but by working within us, His Spirit deeply and gently within us." Ephesians 3:20 (MSG)