

"CHASING DAVID - When God Says No" October 26 - 27, 2019 Pastor Tyler Scott

INTRODUCTION

What do you do when you pray for something, and you don't receive what you request? This week David teaches us how to find blessing when God says no.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. **Read 2 Samuel 7:1-3.** What did David want to do? Do you think his desire was a bad request?
- 2. Has God ever said "no" to a dream of yours? Briefly share.
 - Has God ever said "no," and now, looking back, you're glad He did? Share
- 3. **Read 2 Samuel 7:4-11.** God has a BIGGER PERSPECTIVE. What does the Lord want David to understand about their relationship in verses 8-9?
- 4. God gives David a glimpse of the BIGGER PERSPECTIVE in verses 10-11? If you were given a glimpse into your future, do you think you would try to tell God how to make it happen, or simply rest in knowing He has figured out the details? What do you think "resting" in God's perspective looks like in your life? Discuss as a group.
- 5. God has a BETTER PLAN. Read 2 Samuel 7:12-17. What are the things God promises David?
- 6. Read 2 Samuel 7:18-29. What is David's response to God's "no"? In what ways do you think David is a model here for how to respond when God says no?
- 7. David prays,...with your blessing...your servant will be blessed. This is one of the most powerful, yet most difficult choices we can make. Why is it sometimes hard to pray, "with your blessing I will be blessed"?
 - Can you think of a time when you were praying/asking God for a certain blessing, and he provided you with a totally different blessing? Share that story.
- 8. WHAT WE SHOULD DO WHEN GOD SAYS NO. Tyler reminds us to "See 'no' as redirection, not rejection," and also "*Don't cling so hard to the dream you have, that you miss the dream God is giving you*". Discuss the ways that we can apply this principle when God says "no".

COMMIT TO MEMORY

You, Sovereign LORD, have spoken, and with your blessing the house of your servant will be blessed forever. **2 Samuel 7:29 NIV**

PRAY FOR EACH OTHER

Share prayer requests, and commit to praying for one another until you meet again.

FOR THOSE FOLLOWING ALONG IN THE BOOK

If you or your group has chosen to follow along using the book, hopefully you have read Chapter 5, FINDING HOPE WHEN DREAMS DIE. Next you will want to read Chapter 6, FINDING GRACE WHEN YOU FALL and then join us next weekend as continue our series with a message titled WHEN YOU FALL.

CHASING DAVID DEVOTIONALS

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