

## OUTLINE • 7.2

- IV. Moses may have observed all the Jews dying under harsh conditions in Egypt and thought, *If I don't do something now, a million people are going to die.*
  - A. That's the same logic we use when we let our needs and circumstances motivate us to do things contrary to how God has instructed us.
  - B. Moses' impatience delayed the Israelites' deliverance thirty years.
  - C. This is exactly how we act today—*I can't wait—people are dying and going to hell. I can't take time to go to Bible school or get prepared. I have to get out and start reaching people right now!*
  - D. There is a right way and a wrong way to go about accomplishing God's will.
  - E. God revealed His will to Moses ten years before he was supposed to deliver the Jews from Egypt to prepare him for what was ahead.
  - F. Throughout the Bible, *ten years would have been the least amount of time anybody spent in preparation to be used by God in a major way!*
  - G. God didn't send Moses into the desert; he went there because he committed murder trying to bring God's will to pass in his own strength.
- V. Do it God's way.
  - A. The moment most people get any kind of direction from God, *zoom*—they are gone!
  - B. You need the wisdom of God to be able to accomplish his will.
  - C. God may want you to do something in a way that is totally different from anything you have ever seen before.
  - D. Too many people copy other preachers.
  - E. God has a plan for *you*.
  - F. You'll only find out what God's leading you to do through personal relationship with Him.
- VI. God's way of doing things is different than your way (Is. 55:8-9).
  - A. From a worldly perspective, it makes sense to hoard when you are in need, but the Bible teaches to give.
  - B. Under God's anointing and leadership, everything is different.
  - C. God doesn't have a "one-size-fits-all" approach for building His kingdom.

- D. Other religions have systems, rules, and regulations; Christians have personal relationship.
- E. Every believer is God-possessed.
- F. The Holy Spirit will talk to you, teach you, and guide you.

*O LORD, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps.*

JEREMIAH 10:23

## DISCIPLESHIP QUESTIONS • 7.2

10. Discussion question: When people see suffering, they often experience an intense desire to help, which can cause them to skip the right amount of preparation. What are some current situations that put this pressure on your emotions? How you are dealing with it? What are you currently doing to prepare for future work?

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11. Why would it be wrong to copy what other ministries have done?
- A. Even though you might succeed, no one will remember you if you are not unique
  - B. Copycats are a stink in God's nostrils
  - C. God may want you to do something in a way that is totally different from anything you have ever seen before
  - D. All of the above
  - E. None of the above

12. How do you find out what God is leading you to do?
- A. Asking your neighbor
  - B. Praying and going to communion
  - C. Living holy
  - D. Through personal relationship with Him
  - E. Praying in tongues at the same time every day

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13. True or false: "Doing things "God's way," according to His specific plan for you, means that every morning when you get up, you need to ask Him which side of the toast to butter.

14. True or false: According to Isaiah 55:8-9, God's ways are not the same as man's.

15. How is Christianity set apart from every other religions?
- A. Because it doesn't have as many rules and regulations
  - B. Because it's all about reincarnation
  - C. Because it has water baptism
  - D. Because you have a personal relationship with God
  - E. Because it appeals to your sensibilities

16. Discussion question: Why does Jeremiah 10:23 apply to believers as well as unbelievers?

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# SCRIPTURES • 7.2

## **ISAIAH 55:8-9**

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. [9] For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

## **LUKE 5:5**

And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net.

## **JEREMIAH 10:23**

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