June 12th- 18th

A Piece of the Process

In this lesson you will learn three ways to master God's process of development.

Intro: Trust the process that God is taking you through. It will make sense eventually. Later on in life you will understand all the parts of the process. When life hurts and doesn't make sense, it's time to trust God's process. Could it be possible that your destiny incorporates the place of your agony? The passion that is necessary to be impactful in life can only come from the place of your deepest pain. God wants to work mightily through you in the very area of your greatest turmoil, trauma, and trouble. The deep well of anointing in people's lives comes from a deep experience of pain. How we respond in the wilderness will determine whether or not we make it into our Promised Land.

I. Private Preparation before Public Promotion

A. God prepares us in private before he promotes us in public. In a biography, the author usually only focuses on the highlights and only talk about the big moments in a person's life. What seems insignificant to others is often the place where God does his greatest work. It's in the quiet seasons that we find the character, courage, and perseverance to make it to our highlight moments. If you embrace the process, then the process will propel and promote you into the next season God has for you.

II. Promises for the Process

A. 2 Cor :17,18- Don't let what is happening in the natural to blind you from what God is doing in the supernatural. There is more to your trial than what meets the eye. Rom 8:18-right now you may be suffering, but know that it will seem small in comparison to the glory that you will see in your future. Cling to this promise in your tough times. David had to wait 13 years between when he was anointed king and when he was appointed king over Israel. During those 13 years, he grew through the process. 2 Pet 3:9- The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, but is patient with us.

III. Persistence Produces Power

A. Acts 12:1-15- Peter was kept in prison but fervent prayer for him was persistently made to God by the church. Herod did everything to keep Peter imprisoned, but he couldn't keep God's power out. It was the persistent prayer of the church that opened the doors and gates of the prison. People are praying for doors to open for you. Joseph persisted in his purpose. Rewards follow persistence. The more you persist and refuse to quit, the more God will reward your faithfulness. Harvests follow persistence. Your persistence will drive you forward, and give you courage you did not know you had.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Who are you becoming during your quiet season?
- 2. What scriptures are you standing on in the process?
- 3. What steps of persistent faith are you taking?