

Session 8 – Adventure/Risk

"The Place where God calls you is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet."

- Frederick Buechner

"The gate is narrow, and the road is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few."

Matthew 7:14

"God rigged the world in such a way that it only works when we embrace risk as the theme of our lives, which is to say, only when we live by faith."

- John Eldredge

Discern Good Risk vs Bad Risk

"I want a lifetime of holy moments. Every day I want to be in dangerous proximity to Jesus. I long for a life that explodes with meaning, is filed with adventure, wonder, risk, and danger. I long for a faith that is gloriously treacherous. I want to be with Jesus, not knowing whether to cry or laugh."

- Mike Yaconelli

"Culture is putting out the light in men's souls."
- A.W. Tozer

"The Spiritual life cannot be made suburban; it is always frontier and we who life in it must accept and even rejoice that remains untamed."

- Howard Macey

"Mission finds you...If a mission is up to us to craft, then it will be one that we make manageable, small enough that we can accomplish it on our own. Yet we see just the opposite with men (and women) of the Bible...they are caught up in missions that are multifaceted, larger, and unmanageable, and more significant than anything they could ever have dreamed up."

- Michael Thompson

"Be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

Joshua 1:9

3 Categories to Courageous Living

• Motive – The reason we act

• Story – Shapes how we act

• Risk – God calls us into risk

"No one has greater love [nor stronger commitment] than to lay down his life for his friends."

John 15:13

"Do not be conformed to this world [any longer with its superficial values and customs], but be transformed and progressively changed [as you mature spiritually] by the renewing of your mind [focusing on goldy values and ethical attitudes], so that you may prove [for yourselves[what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His plan and purpose for you]" Romans 12:2

Question:

- How have I embraced risk in my?
- Where have I not embraced risk?
- Where is God asking me to risk living courageously?

Considering:

- My Motives
- The story I'm living in
- The risk God is calling me into