

appnotes



DAY 1

READ EXODUS 32:1-21

As Moses was on Mount Sinai with God establishing an agreement that would give direction and focus to their lives, the people of Israel grew tired of waiting. They quickly turned their back on their faithful God. Imagine this: they traded the living, all-knowing, all-powerful, all-loving God for a god they sculpted over a campfire with some leftover jewelry. How often do we trade out God as we chase after lesser things? When we look to find satisfaction apart from our relationship with Jesus that's exactly what we are doing. We trade peace, love, and purpose for what's temporary and manmade. Don't exchange what's eternal for what won't last or truly satisfy.

DAY 2

READ NUMBERS 20:1-12

The complaints of the people of Israel aren't so different from the complaints that you and I make everyday. Deep down we all struggle to trust God as our all-sufficient source of life. Even Moses, Israel's leader doubted God's ability to provide for his needs and the needs of the people. When God told him to simply speak to bring water out from a rock, Moses decided to do it his way instead. And it cost him dearly. Are you doubting God's ability to come through in your impossible situation or are you seeking Him out to quench your thirst?

DAY 3

READ JEREMIAH 2:1-13

Jeremiah understood that trying to fill the God-shaped void in our hearts with anything other than God Himself is foolish and will always bring pain and heartache. As God spoke through Jeremiah He gives an incredible illustration of this truth. Israel abandoned a life-giving spring for a broken cup. Are you continually looking to God for fulfillment, purpose, and life? Or are you trying to stockpile those from a different source? Take a note from Jeremiah, the only source of true life and meaning is found in a relationship with God. Every other source is temporary.

DAY 4

READ JOHN 6:22-36

After Jesus fed 5,000 with a sack lunch, people pursued Him. We all like when someone can help us by meeting a physical need. Yet when Jesus helped to meet physical needs on earth His intension was to always point to the greatest need in every human heart. Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." Nothing satisfies apart from Jesus. While God may help you by meeting a physical need you have, it pales in comparison to the work He wants to do inside of your heart.

DAY 5

READ JOHN 7:37-43

Jesus gives you and I an open invitation to come to Him. We are all thirsty and looking for satisfaction. There are a lot of wells to drink from but only one that will ever really quench your thirst. It doesn't matter what you've done in the past or what wells you've been hanging out at. Jesus says if you are longing, I am the answer. What's so incredible about this invitation is that we don't simply get to know more about Jesus; we get His very Spirit living inside of us. The Holy Spirit transforms us from the inside out giving us new desires and helping us understand the true source of life change!

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