

MOVING DAY!

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There's a lot of moving going on! Everywhere I turn, people are preparing for change. There's a movie my girls like to watch occasionally and in it there's a character that runs through the community shouting "The frost is off the ground and moving day is at hand, prepare to move your family." It put the community in a get ready mode and caused them to start actively moving forward.

Moving day could mean a lot of things, it doesn't just have to mean location. It could mean moving things around in your 401-K, or moving your children from one extra-curricular program to another. It could also mean moving your ministry from one place to another or from one vision to another. Change doesn't always have to be bad or cumbersome however most change in the bible was very significant and not so easy.

I've started to learn that I never want to get too comfortable or complacent where I am because I want to be ready for the Lord when He moves me. It doesn't mean to never unpack or to not get dirty where I'm at, but it does mean to be attentive to the Lord because I do believe He always wants us to be dependent upon Him for all we need.

Do you feel the Lord directing you in a new thing or pushing you into things that aren't quite comfortable but you know it's Him? Please don't feel like you are the only one! Do you think Noah was comfortable building the ark? What about Peter, do you think he was certain about walking on water?

There will constantly come points in our lives where our choices and trust in the Lord has to outweigh our mind and emotions and propel us forward in faith. There will also be times where these struggles bring us to a place of trial and testing. I will end this with a quick snippet I found online reminding us of those who have gone before us and walked through the process of moving their location, moving their mindset, moving their ministry, etc. and the outcome of most of it, was very big for God's glory.

Praying in public took Daniel from the comfort of his home to a den full of hungry lions.

Worshipping only God took Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego from the comforts of security, to the burning fiery furnace and anger of a king.

Faithfulness to God took Mary from the comfort of an ideal life to being a pregnant un-wed girl delivering God's own son in a barn.

Following God took Moses from the comfort of shepherding a few sheep to leading the Israelites in a desert to the Promised Land for forty years.

Obedience to God took Abraham from the comfort of his hometown to an unknown land.

Faith took Esther from the comfort of her castle to the scepter and possible rejection of her king.

Trusting God took David from the comfort of shepherding sheep in the fields to the battlefield and then to the throne of a king.

Love took Jesus from the comforts of heaven to the pain of the cross.

If there is one thing I've been learning lately it's this: God doesn't really care about my comfort zone.

He doesn't care for me to get too comfortable in this world or to get too settled in. In fact, He has called us all to do the exact opposite. From the beginning of time until now He has asked His children to walk out in faith with Him and to follow Him into the land of unknown, to press forward through tribulation and to stop holding on to what is comfortable.

To be faithful to Him even though we don't know where He will take us next.

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