

REPOSITION

- Reposition: 1: to change the position of; 2: to revise the marketing strategy for (a product or a company) so as to increase sales
- It is critical that we position our minds
 - ➤ Determines where you will live Rom. 8:5-6; Col. 3:2
 - ➤ Determines how you will live 2 Cor. 10:5; Jer. 17:9-10
 - Determines who you will live for Rom. 12:1-2; Eph. 4:17-24
 - Determines what moves you 2 Tim. 1:7; Phil. 4:8-9; Eph. 6:10-18; Psa. 62; Psa. 16:8

Repositioning Our Listening - 1 Kings 19

- It is so important to be able to hear from God
- We should always appreciate the fact that God wants to speak to us
- God is not obligated to speak to us the same way every time
- Our hearing from God can not be confined to big events
- Our positioning often determines our ability to listen to God and do mighty things in God Mat. 14:22-33
 - ➤ The enemy knows this as well so he uses tactics to get you out of the position of hearing into a position of fearing 2 Tim. 1:7
 - He works through discouragement Jos. 1:8-9
 Discouragement: to deprive of courage, hope, or confidence
- Discouragement often shows its head after great successes.

Elijah's Great Victories

- ❖ Elijah trusted God enough to confront Ahab and decree it wouldn't rain until he spoke it so − 1 Kgs. 17:1-2
- ❖ Fed by ravens 1 Kgs. 17:2-7
- ❖ Raised the widow's son 1 Kgs. 17:17-24
- ❖ Puts to death all the false prophets 1 Kgs. 18:20-40
- Prays for rain and it comes 1 Kg. 19:41-46

The After

- ❖ We can become so intoxicated by the great moves of God that we become insensitive to the move of God
- ❖ After standing, we find Elijah now running. He's not running from the crowd, but from the words of the enemy concerning him − vs. 2
 - Note 1 Kgs. 18:46, the Lord empowered him to run in a different time
- Leaves his servant at Beersheba 1 Kgs. 19:3
- The Juniper Tree
 - ➤ Sitting under a juniper tree this type (broom bush) reaches up to 10ft.
 - Prayed to die but God said no and sustained him to live vs. 4
 - ➤ God still feeds him in his fearful, weakened state vs. 5-6
 - > The provision was really to provide strength for the journey vs. 7



The Cave

> Took him 40 days and nights to Mt. Horeb (Sinai) – Exo. 35:28, Num. 14:26-35

The Question

- ❖ Vs. 9-10 What are you doing here?
 - > The answer is a mix of untruths and fear vs. 10
 - Tells God his faithfulness to him is at fault Rom. 11:1-5
 - Tells God he is the only one left 1 Kg. 18:4
 - ➤ God's response is an instruction instead of destruction vs. 11
 - Go forth, stand

The Lesson

- ❖ God wasn't in the wind –
- God wasn't in the earthquake –
- ❖ God wasn't in the fire –
- ❖ God was in the still
 - Still: demâmâh: quiet, calm, silence



Repositioning Your Family

- Our families are being steered in some direction Psa. 127:4
- Families require repositioning.
 - Becoming a family starts with repositioning Gen. 2:24
 - Covenants require repositioning 2 Cor. 6:17; Gen. 12

Reversing the Patterns

- Patterns of poverty
- Patterns of poor decisions
- Patterns of conflict and strife
- Patterns of church attendance
- ❖ Patterns of behavior Eli didn't reposition his sons but kept Samuel 1 Sam. 2:12-17, 27-37

Things that need repositioning to reposition your family

- 1. Your priorities
 - a. Is God really first to you? Luke 14:25-33
- 2. Your obedience
 - a. Your obedience to God must be non-negotiable
 - b. Discipline requires obedience Eph. 6:4; Heb. 12:6-11; Pro. 13:24
- 3. Your conversation
 - a. How do you carry yourself in your family?
 - b. How do we speak? Eph. 4:29
- 4. Your teaching
 - a. What are you teaching? Pro. 6:20; Deut. 6
 - i. Are we building or self-destructing Judges 2:1-15
 - ii. Faithfulness or infidelity 1 Tim. 5:8
 - iii. Generosity or greed Pro. 15:27
 - iv. Love or hate 1 Cor. 13
 - b. Are we trying to reach the world but haven't taught at home? Mat. 28:18-20; Gal. 6:10
- 5. Your leadership
 - a. Set order 1 Cor. 11:3; 1 Pet. 3:7;
 - b. It requires your guidance Jos. 24:15
- 6. Your faithfulness
 - a. To God
 - b. To family
 - c.
- 7. Your presence



