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IN THE MIDST OF LIFE'S STORMS

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INTERACTIVE GUIDE
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WHO AM I?

- Tim Tebow asks this question as he shares his story of being cut by the New England Patriots.
- “When your world is shaken, when the plans and dreams you’ve created, perhaps even banked on, get obliterated, when the path on which you walk is moving in an unknown and particularly unwanted direction, what do you do? Better yet, what do you hold on to?”

WHO AM I?

- Jeremiah 29:11 - “For I know the plans that I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.”
- Psalm 56:3 - “When I am afraid, I will put my trust in you.”
- “God created you for a reason. He created you to be special. He created you for a purpose.”

FACING THE GIANTS

- Rick Warren - "Fear is a self-imposed prison that will keep you from becoming what God intends for you to do. You must move against it with the weapons of faith and love."
- Martin Luther King, Jr. - "Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase."
- John 16:33 - "Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world."

NEGATIVITY

- “Criticism hurts. It’s hard to hear harsh words from a journalist you might never meet in person. It’s harder to hear the same from a trusted friend.”
- “There’s another critic who usually flies under the radar. You and me. Sometimes we are our own worst enemy. Consider what you’ve thought about yourself in the last week, or even last twenty-four hours.”

GOD'S GOT IT

- “I can’t tell you why bad things happen or why our dreams and plans shatter. It’s an age-old question that people have asked for centuries and will continue to try to answer, debate, and write books about. This is something Job talked about.”
- “It may not be easy for you right now to fully trust God with your heart or your circumstances. There are times I struggle to believe that He’s got everything already worked out.”

THE OTHERS

- John Donne - “No man is an island.”
- Bear Grylls - “A man’s pride can be his downfall, and he needs to learn when to turn to others for support and guidance.”
- We have a tendency to turn inward and say, “I don’t need anyone” or “I can get through this on my own.”

THE OTHERS

- Who's in your circle?
- Proverbs 13:20 - "He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will suffer harm."
- "Who's in your circle of trust? It doesn't have to be a big group of people."

NORMAL

- “Many spend their lives wondering if they’re normal or wanting to be, hoping to fit in.”
- “It’s funner, the particulars of being normal are always changing.”
- Celebrate unique - Tim Tebow is grateful that he is dyslexic.
- James 1:17 - “every good thing and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father.”

STAND UP

- Mark Twain - "It's not the size of the dog in the fight. It's the size of the fight in the dog."
- "The stand you take may not be the biggest deal to the entire world, but it can be a big deal for one person." Can't feed Africa, but you can feed one.
- Eye black - 94 million Googled "John 3:16"
- Threw for 316 yard, yards per completion were 31:6, time of possession was 31.06, etc.

DOING SOMETHING

- “One of my favorite saying is: ‘Oftentimes we don’t dream big enough and oftentimes we don’t start small enough.’”
- Visiting prisons, Night to Shine event, spending time with many W15H kids.
- What Matters Most: movie Gladiator - Maximus - “What we do in life echoes in eternity.”

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WHO ARE YOU?

- Describe your spiritual birthday.
- Key verse: Ephesians 2:10 - "For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them."
- Key Verse: Proverbs 5:21 - "For the ways of a man are before the eyes of the Lord, and He watches all his paths."

GOD'S GOT IT

- Failure is not an option: Jeremiah 8:4 - "When you stumble and fall, you get back up, and if you take a wrong road, you turn around and go back."
- Fear, meet love: 1 John 4:19 - "There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear."
- Key verse: Joshua 1:9 - "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

OTHERS MATTER

- Key verse: Ecclesiastes 4:12 - “A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken.”
- What kind of friend are you? Proverbs 18:24 - “A real friend sticks closer than a brother.”
- Listen and learn: Proverbs 1:5 - “A wise man will hear and increase in learning, and a man of understanding will acquire wise counsel.”

LIVE BIGGER

- Key verse: Matthew 6:19-20 - “Do not store up for yourself treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal.”
- Key verse: 1 Corinthians 13:13 - “Three things will last forever—faith, hope and love—and the greatest of these is love.”

TIM TEBOW - HANNITY



**JEWS, THE OLD
TESTAMENT,
AND THE TRINITY**

THE TRINITY

- How did Jewish people miss the idea of the Trinity? There are passages like Genesis 1:26 that says: “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.”
- Perhaps they would miss this in the Old Testament, but now they have the additional revelation in the New Testament along with centuries of Christian teaching that should show them this truth.

RABBI STANLEY GREENBERG

- Rabbi Stanley Greenberg of the Temple Sinai in Philadelphia
- “Christians are, of course, entitled to believe in a trinitarian conception of God, but their effort to base this conception on the Hebrew Bible must fly in the face of the overwhelming story of that Bible. Hebrew Scriptures are clear and unequivocal on the oneness of God.”

GOD IS A PLURALITY

- The Hebrew word for God is “Elohim.” It is a plural noun having masculine plural ending “im.”
- It is the word used in Genesis 1:1 and is also used in Exodus 20:3 (the Ten Commandments) and in Deuteronomy 13:2 (let us go after other gods).
- How do Jewish scholars respond to this?

GOD IS A PLURALITY

- First, they say that the word “Elohim” is plural but is used with a singular verb when used of the true God.
- Second, they point out that the word “Elohim” is followed by a plural verb when talking about false gods.
- But, there are occasions where a plural verb is used when talking about God (Genesis 20:13; 2 Samuel 7:23; and Psalm 58:12).

PLURAL PRONOUNS

- God often speaks of Himself using a plural pronoun.
- Genesis 1:26 - “Then God [Elohim] said, ‘Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness.’”
- The argument that God is referring to angels does not work since God created us in His image not in the image of the angels.
- Other verses: Genesis 3:22 and Isaiah 6:8.

THE SHEMA

- Deuteronomy 6:4 - “Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.”
- First, the very words “our God” are actually in the plural (as we have just discussed).
- Second, is the word “one” which is the Hebrew word “echad.” It may not always mean an absolute one.
- In many places it means a compound one (Genesis 1:5 - evening and morning are one day).

CONCLUSION

- The Old Testament does talk about a plurality of the Godhead. The word “Elohim” is plural.
- The Father is called Yahweh. The Son is called the Angel of Yahweh or the Servant of Yahweh. The Spirit is referred to as the Spirit of Yahweh or the Spirit of God.
- The New Testament provides additional biblical perspective on the triunity of God.

NEXT WEEK

