

## **SERIES: NEXT STEP**

**DATE:** Saturday - Sunday, February 3-4, 2024

**SERMON:** Living "All-In"

**SCRIPTURE:** Exodus 33:11-23 NIV

[11] The LORD would speak to Moses face to face, as one speaks to a friend. Then Moses would return to the camp, but his young aide Joshua son of Nun did not leave the tent.

[12] Moses said to the LORD, "You have been telling me, 'Lead these people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, 'I know you by name and you have found favor with me.'

[13] If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people."

[14] The LORD replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

[15] Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here.

[16] How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?"

[17] And the LORD said to Moses, "I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name."

[18] Then Moses said, "Now show me your glory."

[19] And the LORD said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the LORD, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.

[20] But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for no one may see me and live."

[21] Then the LORD said, "There is a place near me where you may stand on a rock.

[22] When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by.

[23] Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen."

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### What does it mean to live "all-in"?

#### 1. Desire \_\_\_\_\_.

- This begins with \_\_\_\_\_, not \_\_\_\_\_.
- Desire to \_\_\_\_\_ Him.
  - **Philippians 3:10** *I want to know Christ - yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death.*
- Desire to \_\_\_\_\_ Him.
- Desire to \_\_\_\_\_ on Him.
  - **Exodus 33:15** *Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here."*
  - **Exodus 33:16b** *"What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?"*
- Desire \_\_\_\_\_ with God.
  - **Exodus 33:11** *The LORD would speak to Moses face to face, as one speaks to a friend. Then Moses would return to the camp, but his young aide Joshua son of Nun did not leave the tent.*
  - **Numbers 12:8** *"With him I speak face to face, clearly and not in riddles; he sees the form of the LORD. Why then were you not afraid to speak against my servant Moses?"*

#### 2. Desire to \_\_\_\_\_ God.

- "You have \_\_\_\_\_ in my sight."
- **Philippians 2:20** *I have no one else like him, who will show genuine concern for your welfare.*
- **Philippians 2:5-8** *In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death - even death on a cross!*

#### 3. Desire to work \_\_\_\_\_.

- Live in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - **Philippians 3:10** *I want to know Christ - yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death.*
- **Philippians 2:5** *In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:*
- **Philippians 2:12-14** *Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed - not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence - continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose. Do everything without grumbling or arguing.*
- We don't work \_\_\_\_\_ our salvation; we work \_\_\_\_\_ of our salvation.

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## **Staff news**

I have the responsibility of giving you the bittersweet news that Darlene Drivon, our longtime preschool minister, is retiring after a long and distinguished career at FBC Covington.

Darlene is one of the longest-term members of FBC. She started attending in 1984 and began volunteering in our children's department. In 1994 she became a paid employee in the preschool area, which was obviously much smaller and less complicated than today. In 2004 we divided our children's ministry. Instead of having one person in charge of children and preschool, we divided the responsibilities. Soon after, Darlene became our full-time preschool minister.

I am thankful for Darlene and Harold and their ministry with us. Darlene has been a consummate team player. I promise you that what she does is not easy. She just makes it look easy.

Darlene's retirement will take effect at the end of the month. We will have our next parent child dedication on February 25. That will also be the day that we recognize Darlene's ministry with us. We will honor her in the worship services and at noon we will move to the fellowship hall for a time for you to get to speak to her and thank her for her ministry.

Darlene alerted me of her retirement in January last year. We have been working to seamlessly fill this position. We expect to have an announcement at the appropriate time. In the meantime, Darlene has worked to put together a team that will continue to provide first class service for our preschoolers.

We are thankful for Darlene's wonderful contribution to First Baptist Church. The Drivons plan to continue living in Covington and attending FBC, a decision that makes me very happy.

*Waylon*