



God Has a Way
(Joshua 10:1-15)

Main Idea: God always has a way to get help to you!

Connect: Who is your first call when your car breaks down, or your furnace stops working? Who do you call for a “rescue”?

Discuss

1. What insight, observation, or principal from this sermon did you find to be most helpful, insightful or troubling? Explain ...
2. Joshua receives word from the Gibeonites that they are under attack from the Amorite kings. He and the Israelite army respond. The Lord encourages them, letting them know they will be victorious. (v 1-10)
 - The Lord doesn't tell Joshua that they will be victorious until they have left camp and set off for Gibeon. The Israelites stepped out in faith first. Is there an area in your life where you are hesitating to take that first step in following God? Or perhaps you have taken that step and can share a testimony of God's faithfulness?
 - The Israelite army surprises the Amorite army. The Lord throws the Amorites into a panic and the Israelites prevail. Obedience led the Israelites into position, and God does the rest. They were in the right place at the right time for God to bless them. What do you think it means for a Christian today to be in the “right place at the right time” to be able to receive God's blessings and favor?
3. As the Israelite army chased their enemy, God unleashes a holy hailstorm that destroys more Amorites than were killed in battle (v11)
 - God is able to do exceedingly abundantly more that we are able to ask or think (Eph: 3:20), a concept the Israelites should have been familiar with by this point. Have you ever found yourself underestimating God's power and ability?
 - As humans, we may not be able to imagine His capabilities, but He asks us to have faith in Him. How do you think it changes us when we choose to live with the expectation that God is present, active, and able?
4. Joshua prays before all the Israelites, asking the sun and moon to stand still before returning to camp (v. 12-15)
 - Joshua has lived through the original Passover, crossed the Red Sea, eaten manna, spied the Promised Land, watched a generation of Israelites perish, crossed the Jordan River, met the Commander of the Lord's Army, seen the walls of Jericho fall, and now witnessed God's destruction of the enemy through a hailstorm, and is now asking God to stop the sun and moon until their victory was complete. Although it is unlikely we share those exact testimonies, God shows up in our lives in very powerful ways. Share a memory of something He has done in your life.

- Experience is a powerful teacher. God has given us numerous experiences that give him glory. Is there something going on in your life where He has shown you His involvement?

Live it Out

- Are you approaching God with boldness? Are you asking for specific solutions, or allowing Him to perform miracles? Are your expectations in line with what *you* can imagine, or with what God can imagine?
- If you are struggling with faith, or with trusting God in a specific area of your life, don't be afraid to share that struggle with other believers. Let others experiences encourage you.