

MINING THE MESSAGE

TITLE: The Gift of Unpredictability

SCRIPTURE: Ecclesiastes 11:1-6

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BIG IDEA:

Since we cannot predict outcomes, spend every moment for the glory of the King and His kingdom!

OUTLINE:

1. Faithfully Leap! (1-2)
2. Wisely Release! (3)
3. Actively Proceed! (4)
4. Humbly Acknowledge! (5)
5. Courageously Live! (6)

WHAT DID YOU LEARN?

- 1 Read Hebrews 11:10. How does this help us define true faith? How do our faithful leaps need to be instructed by God's Word?
- 2 Read Proverbs 16:9. How does this verse express the tension between planning and God's sovereignty? How does this affect our preparation for life?

HOW WILL YOU APPLY IT?

- 1 Where do you need to grow in leaps of faith? How do your leaps need to be more informed by God's Word? What leaps do you need to take based on God's Word?
- 2 What do you think about in the uncertain times? How can your concentration be moved from the unknown whats and whys to the knowable who, God, in our unpredictable circumstances?

LIVE IT OUT

Make plans that require you to be uncomfortable. Look at God's Word to help you develop these plans (diligent work, sharing the Gospel, getting up early to read and pray, etc). Ask God to give you the strength and boldness to follow through on these plans. List the ways you see God work in your plan this week.

READ AHEAD

Read Ecclesiastes 11:7-10. What are the realities of our physical health and capabilities of this life? How should that impact our pursuits?

