



Comeback - Week 1-4

1824 DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

We all love a good comeback. We love to watch a sports team comeback and win the game after being behind the entire time. We read and watch stories of people who have experienced a comeback from hard circumstances and succeeded. So why is it so hard to believe in comebacks in our own life? It's safe to say we have all experienced a setback these past few years. Setbacks turn our plans inside out and leave us unsure of what comes next.

1. What is a setback you are experiencing in your life?

How are you trying to respond to that setback?

Reminder: A setback is something that can cause you to halt and fail to move forward, something that makes you take a few steps back, or even cause you to experience defeat in an area of your life.

2. Read **Genesis 3:8-9** and **Exodus 3:7-12**.

We see in these passages that God not only comes looking for us but meets us where we are at with **intentionality**.

A key to believing a comeback is possible is truly understanding who it is that is initiating the comeback.

How would most people describe God?

Read **2 Peter 3:9**, **James 1:17**, and **Psalms 116:5**.

How does Scripture describe God?

If Scripture says these things about God, why do we struggle to believe that God is who He says He is? (Mark 9:22-23)

3. Read **Exodus 3:11** again.

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Think of a moment where God has called you to something greater than yourself. How did you respond? Did you respond with doubt?

Notice that after Moses questions his own ability, which if we are being honest, we all do, God comforts him in the following verse that He will be with him.

I'm sure all of us have heard the saying "God won't give you more than you can handle." What if that isn't true? What if God intentionally gives us things we can't handle so that we are forced to rely on Him? Moses could not bring the Israelites out of Egypt on his own, he knew this. But what does God do? He says, "I will be with you."

Look at the setback you mentioned above. Are you relying on just yourself to overcome it, or have you leaned into God for guidance and help?

4. We all have reasons to come back, and it is important to consistently ask ourselves "why?" So, what are your reasons for making a comeback?
5. When we think back to some of the greatest comebacks we have seen in movies, sports, or even in our own lives, we see one common denominator for their success. Grit.

Grit is developed by learning to interpret events optimistically

Read **James 1:2-4**

Through the lens of what James just said, how would you reinterpret a setback? Do setbacks even exist? How you view the troubles you face in life will determine how you conquer them.

Read **John 9:1-3**

We cannot always explain why things happen to us, but I encourage you in this moment to take a look at your setback from the perspective that John provides us here.

How can your setback be an opportunity for God's glory to be shown?



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What could God be trying to show you or tell you through this setback?

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