## Sermon Title: RISKING and REACHING

Date: Sunday, March 4, 2018 Speaker: Pastor J.



## Background Scripture: Judges 6:1-14

**Jumpstart and Review:** As kingdom citizens we have not been saved by God's grace only to strive for a place of stability and comfort; that's the goal of the religious. The goal of the relational is to keep reaching, keep growing and keep changing for the better. To do that requires that we be willing to disturb the equilibrium of our lives from time to time.

\* Risk is never about meaningless movement for the sake of movement. Perceived risk is in response to Holy Spirit's guidance.

? How do we discern God's leading where a perceived risk is involved? First, any perceived risk must not contradict Kingdom Principles found in the Word of God. Once alignment is achieved, confirmation must be established. Confirmation comes through Holy Spirit. That connection is established through daily fellowship of prayer and the study of God's Word.

? So what is Risk's Framework?

#1. Begin Every Perceived Risk With The Word Imagine. (ref. Ephesians 3:20)

#2. Picturing The Potential Gives Shape To The Dream And Us.

- God-sized dreams are meant to overwhelm us so that we can acknowledge our need for God's help. Resources will be needed.

- Look around you & see the potential in what you already have.

- The temptation is to reduce the dream, but instead, GET A MACGYVER SPIRIT

- ask yourself, "What kind of positive moves can I make where I am with what I already have?"

#3. ASSEMBLE A TEAM OF FAITH WINNERS (ref. Proverbs 15:22)#4. BECOME MORE BIASED TO MAKING MOVES (ref. James 2:18)#5. DON'T QUIT

**QFC** (Questions For Consideration)

1. We defined Commitment as: "staying true to a worthy decision, long after the emotion of have made that decision has passed;" Where does the ability to do this come from – God or Us? (Explain)

2. Striving for a place of stability & comfort are "desired goals" not "destiny goals" (necessarily). Can the two co-exist or do they ultimately cancel one another out?

Reflect-n-Recap

- 1. This week's lesson was ...
- The areas I feel this lesson growing me are ...
  Comments / Testimonial / Question