

אֶסְטֻק

The Book of Numbers

#mc3stuck



Discussion
Gu'de

“סלחון או אֶסְטֻק”

01/26/25

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 You Should Respond in Faith First

The Repeats (required)

They are the same, but WE change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- We're going to open by sharing God Moments about what He is doing in our lives, but save our prayer requests for the END of Pr'me. Go around and share your God Moments: how have you seen God working, either in your life or in the life of another over the past week? [Leaders: plan for a way to collect prayer requests at the end, then share them with your Pr'me]
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?

The Reminder (required)

Read this section briefly to review the Point for everyone

- This Week's Point:
When You're Stuck with Obstacles, You Should Respond in Faith *First*
- This Week's Object Lesson:
ball popper toy--Sean's truck story
- This Week's Bible Passage & Focus Verse: **Numbers 13-15**
Because your men explored the land for forty days, you must wander in the wilderness for forty years—a year for each day, suffering the consequences of your sins. (Numbers 14:34a, NLT)

The Reflection (required)

Discuss these to go deeper, and more personal, into applying the Point

- Do you have a story about a stressful travel situation? Share it.
- This week's Point is "When You're Stuck with Obstacles, You Should Respond in Faith *First*." Why does "first" matter in this statement? How would this statement be different if "first" was removed?
- In this week's passage from Numbers (chs. 13-14), how did the Israelites fail to respond in faith first? What was the result?
- **Read Numbers 14:25.** Sean said that this could possibly be the worst verse in the history of the united nation of Israel. What did he mean by that? Consider the Exodus and the Israelites leading up to this moment, how do you think they felt hearing this?
- In the Point, Sean shared about the Faith First Failure pattern:
Obstacle -> Opportunity -> Opposition -> Outcome
- Take a moment to review each phase of this pattern.
- Pick one of the people that we looked at on Sunday (Israelites, Abraham, Jonah, & [Paul]); why do you think they failed to respond in faith first? Then, what was the result (*Opposition*)?
- Consider the *Outcome* phase of this pattern for that person. What was gained because of their failure to respond in faith *first*? Why?
- Is it a comfort to know that God's *Outcomes* will always prevail, whether we obey or not? Why or why not?
- Considering that, what are the benefits of responding in faith first?
- When you are confronted with an obstacle how do you tend to respond? Why do you tend to respond this way?
- Is there a obstacle in your life right now where you need respond with faith first? Share it with the group, so that we can pray for you. [Leaders: either have someone pray as each shares, or come up with another way for your group to pray for these for one another]

Green Questions: Have a few people answer these, then **GO!** to the next question

Red Questions: **STOP!** on these and **take time** to have many people discuss