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MAKE A NEW START



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# GETTING THE MOST FROM THIS BOOK

- Make your own list of the questions life has raised within your spirit. Be sure to include the things that are troubling you.
- Write your own prayer, one that asks God to prepare you for the task of being reset.

# RESET: THE CHOICE IS NOW

- What stands in your way as a Christian?
- What missions might God have in store for you as he calls you to reset?
- Who are the role models in your life, people you might call on as you reset?
- Are you ready to celebrate your reset, to demonstrate the life you've reentered?

# RECOGNIZE THE CALL

- Do life's distractions sometimes stand between you and God?
- What is your Lo Debar? How does living there affect you?
- Are you running toward or from God's will?
- Describe a time in your life when an apparent calamity actually released you toward your destiny and allowed a greater good to take place.

### REASSESS AND RECALIBRATE

- Have you been the beneficiary of God's promises?
- What promises have you made God in return? Have you kept them?
- Have you discerned God's plan for your life? Where would you start?
- Do you feel as though you have moved away from that plan?
- Is your current choice of friends and circumstances shortchanging your position as a child of God?
- Are you prepared for God to meet you where you are?
  Are there other people who might act as guides to help you?

### RECLAIM AND REDEDICATE

- Purification requires separation. What are the things God is calling you to separate yourself from in order to enjoy the full fruits of your reset?
- Are you caught between Shechem and Bethel, or can you honestly say you have left Shechem behind?
- Meditate on where the Lord found you, and where he might take you.
- Where, honestly, is God on your list of priorities?

## LET GOD REINVENT YOU AND YOUR WORLD

- What is your mission? What is it that God has called you to do?
- Can you imagine reset as a clean break with what doesn't work in your past, a rebooting as profound as the Great Flood?
- How do you identify with Peter? Share a time when you or someone you know acted like Peter.
- How do the "ships" in your life—relationships, friendships, and so on—serve you well or badly?
- Are you ready to trust Jesus outside of the boat?

## RESURRECTION: THE GREAT RESET

- Do you follow Jesus' example of applying quiet time set aside for prayer, meditation, and Bible reading?
- Are you ready for physical as well as spiritual reset?
- Can you set aside your last, lingering doubt and commit to reset?
- Can you identify with the prodigal son? Can you identify as well with those who might have given up on him?
- Have you found your purpose? Have you embraced it?