# First Impulse

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## INTRODUCTION

- What I do want to talk to you about this morning actually relates to our reactions in time. Your reaction in time to the events that happen in your life.
- How can I make God dependence and God inclusion my first impulse, my first reaction in time?
- My problem isn't understanding the rules. My problem is walking with God.

## 1 Confidence in the Very Real Presence of God

**Psalm 73:28**

- If it's going to be your first impulse to turn to God in crisis or in times of joy, you must have a confidence in the very real presence of God.
- You will not turn to God in crisis if your God isn't real.
- The God of Asaph in Psalm 73 was real. The nearness of God is my good. I take my refuge in him.
- This will serve as a compelling foundation for worship and for the defeat of sin in our lives.
- To know, to trust, to be confident that God is near.

## 2 Confidence in God's Ability to Effect Change

**James 1:5; Ephesians 3:20**

- We must have confidence in God's ability to effect change.
- Do we believe that God is powerful, that he works in our world to effect change, that he can change your world. He may not do it today.
- He is able to do exceeding abundantly beyond all that we ask or think.
- Do you believe God can affect change in your world in his time? If you don't believe that, you won't pray. It won't be your first impulse.
- Why haven't we included God? Why haven't we gone to him first?
- He's more powerful than I am. He can do things I can't do.

## 3 God Will Reward My Trust

**Malachi 3**

- When I turn to God in trust, that there is a reward to that every time.
- God will reward my trust. Period. Regardless of what happens in the circumstances.
- I go to God and trust, I win. Period. It's that simple. Doesn't matter how the circumstances turn out.
- My soul rests in God. My salvation is from Him. My soul waits in silence for God only.
- When you respond in faith, you have a foundation to embrace whatever comes.

THE CHALLENGE

I commend to you the life of walking with God. Won’t you embrace it?

MY NOTES