



## SERMON NOTES

### Turn North

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*"1 Then we turned back and set out toward the wilderness along the route to the Red Sea, as the LORD had directed me. For a long time we made our way around the hill country of Seir. 2 Then the LORD said to me, 3 "You have made your way around this hill country long enough; now turn north." Deuteronomy 2:1-3*

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#### 1. WE WILL ALL HAVE WILDERNESS SEASONS.

*"33 "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." John 16:33*

- **Our identity has to be secure before we can possess our promise.**

*"15 For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." 16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. 17 Now if we are children, then we are heirs--heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory." Romans 8:15-17 (NIV)*

#### 2. THE PROMISE REQUIRES A PROCESS.

- **Don't expect to possess the promise if you can't embrace the process.**

*"4 Give the people these orders: 'You are about to pass through the territory of your relatives the descendants of Esau, who live in Seir. They will be afraid of you, but be very careful. 5 Do not provoke them to war, for I will not give you any of their land, not even enough to put your foot on. I have given Esau the hill country of Seir as his own. 6 You are to pay them in silver for the food you eat and the water you drink.'" Deuteronomy 2:4-6*

*"10 "Now then, just as the LORD promised, he has kept me alive for forty-five years since the time he said this to Moses, while Israel moved about in the desert. So here I am today, eighty-five years old! 11 I am still as strong today as the day Moses sent me out; I'm just as vigorous to go out to battle now as I was then. 12 Now give me this hill country that the LORD promised me that day. You yourself heard then that the Anakites were there and their cities were large and fortified, but, the LORD helping me, I will drive them out just as he said." Joshua 14:10-12 (NIV)*

***The process is committing to the process of becoming more and more like Christ and living like he calls us to live:***

*To Love God*

*To Love People*

*To Make Disciples*

*To Obey His Commands*

*To do this everywhere we go.*

### **3. YOU WON'T POSSES WHAT YOU WON'T PURSUE.**

*“You have made your way around this hill country long enough; now turn north.” Deuteronomy 2:3*

- **“You wont posses what you don’t pursue. A desire without discipline becomes a delusion, the proof of desire is in your pursuit.” Bishop Bronner**