

# Looking Back – Seeing God

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- **God's promises are fulfilled according to God's time.**
- **God will change circumstances to meet his schedule rather than change his time to meet our requests.**

# Keeping a Good Perspective



**GODISNOWHERE**

**GOD IS NO WHERE.....GOD IS NOW HERE**





- **Holding on to the preferences of the past will not allow us to appreciate the gifts that God is giving to us today.**
- **God is continually preparing his children for life in the next season.**
- **Leadership can never satisfy the preferences of the past while leading into the future.**
- **Satisfying our preferences can lead to deadly consequences.**

# Principles stay the same – Methods change



# Sacred Cow



- an actual cow or bull that is treated with sincere respect.
- someone or something that has been accepted and respected for a long time and that people are afraid or unwilling to criticize or question.



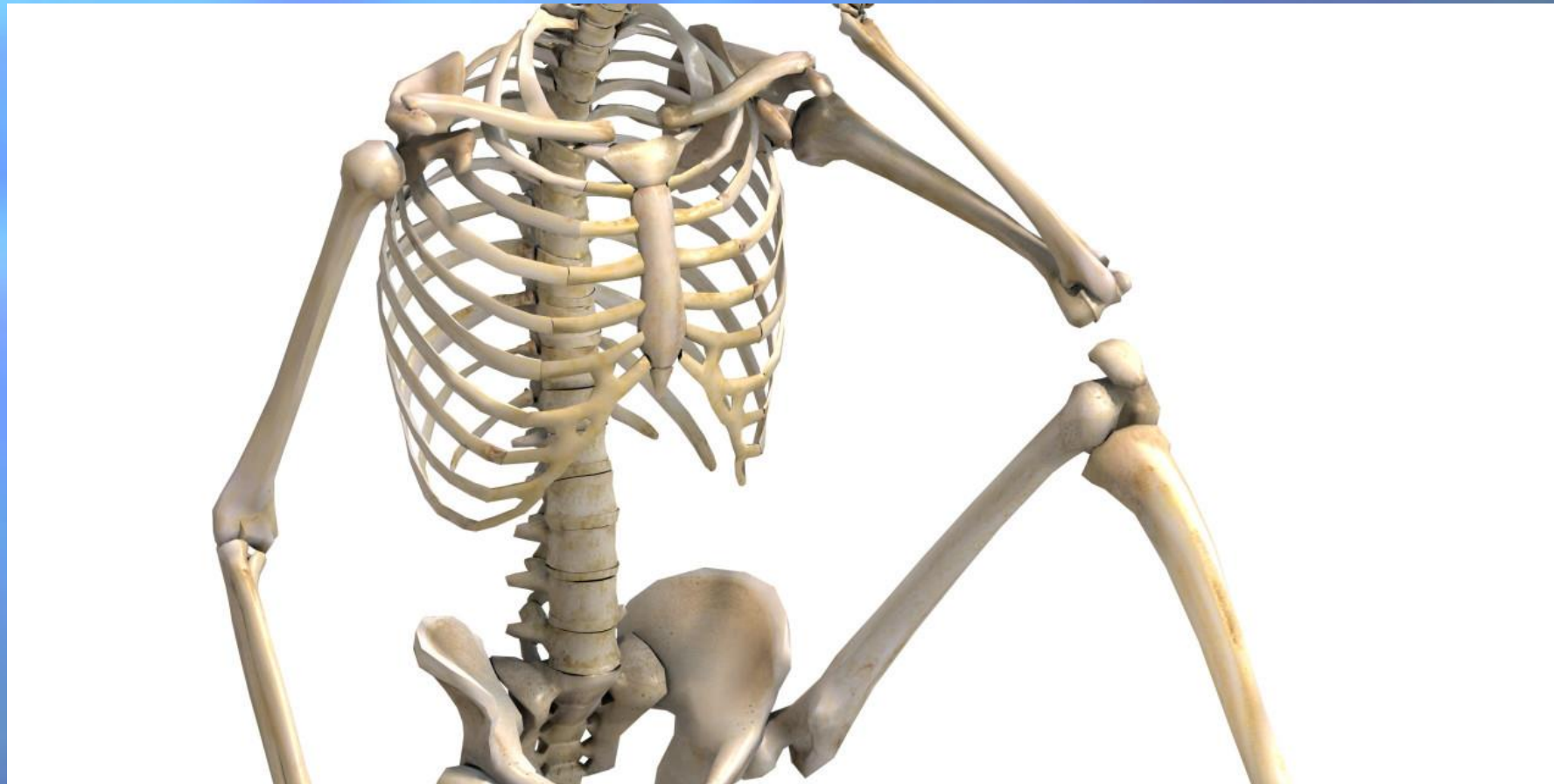
# GRASSHOPPERS



- We saw the Nephilim there. We seemed like grasshoppers in our own eyes, and we looked the same to them.”
- Then Caleb silenced the people before Moses and said, “We should go up and take possession of the land, for we can certainly do it.”



# Dead Bones Can't Walk



# PAYING ATTENTION TO LEGACY

- Then Joseph said to his brothers, “I am about to die. But God will surely come to your aid and take you up out of this land to the land he promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.” And Joseph made the Israelites swear an oath and said, “God will surely come to your aid, and then you must carry my bones up from this place.”
- Moses took the bones of Joseph with him because Joseph had made the Israelites swear an oath. He had said, “God will surely come to your aid, and then you must carry my bones up with you from this place.”

# CHRISTMAS THROUGH THE EYES OF A CHILD

**Imagination** – the process of forming a mental image of something before it is perceived in reality

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**Ingenuity** -the quality of being cleverly inventive or resourceful

**Impatience** -unable to wait patiently or tolerate delay

**Inquisitiveness** – inclined to ask many questions or seek information



# MEALTIME

- **Levi held a great banquet for Jesus at his house, and a large crowd of tax collectors and others were eating with them. But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law who belonged to their sect complained to his disciples, “Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?”**
- **Jesus answered them, “It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.”**

**Why do you eat with the people you eat with?**



# REIMAGINING CHURCH







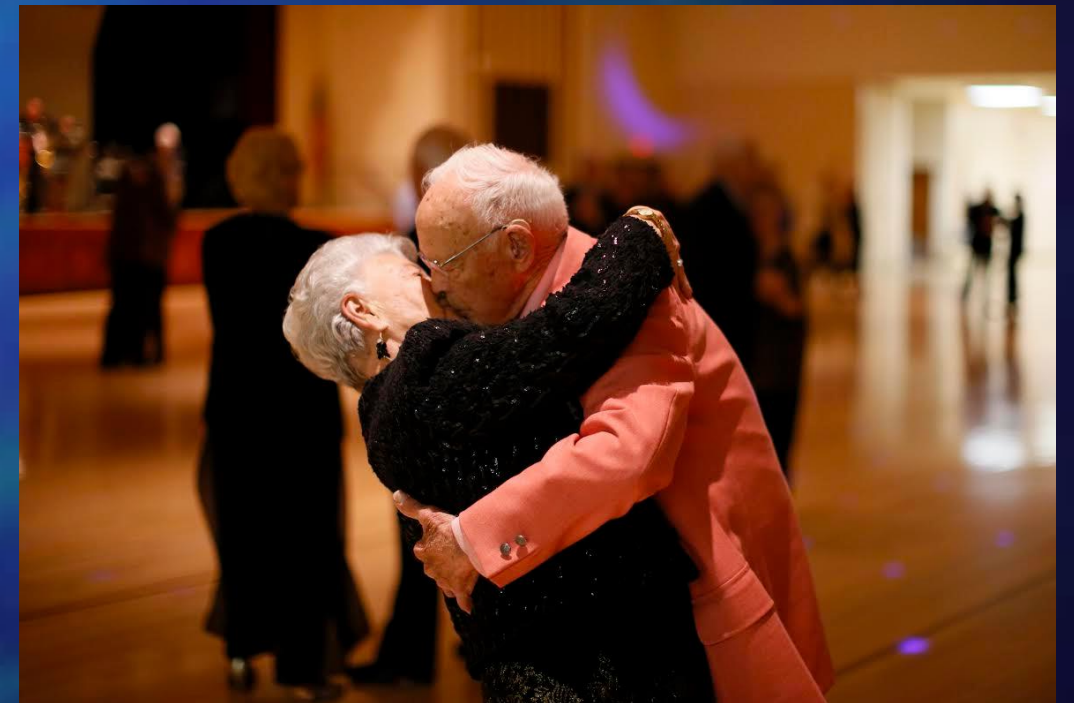




*Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel  
before the Lord our Maker; for he is our God  
and we are the people of his pasture, the flock  
under his care. –Psalm 95:6-7*



# PASSION IN WORSHIP



# USE YOUR PASSPORT

GO!





I have upheld you since you were conceived,  
And have carried you since your birth.  
Even to your old age and gray hairs  
I am he, I am he who will sustain you.  
I have made you and I will carry you;  
I will sustain you and I will rescue you.

-Isaiah 46:3-4