



**Date:** May 15, 2016  
**Passage** Numbers 32:1-25  
**Title:** All In  
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**Discussion Starter:** Is there an agreeable, comfortable place in your life where you prefer to reside, that hinders you from abiding in the center of God's will?

### **No Passion to Serve God reveals a lack of Relationship with God** (Numbers 32:1-5)

- When the children of the tribes of Reuben and Gad saw that the land of Gilead was a place for livestock and that it fit their lifestyle, they asked Moses, Eleazar, and the leaders of the congregation to give it to them as a possession and not to take them over the Jordan. How does this show a lack of commitment to God's plan and purpose for their lives?
- What leads to a lack of desire or indifference to be used by God in our spiritual development or growth as Christians?

### **Passion comes from knowing God** (Psalm 37:4-5, 1Peter 4:16; Matthew 16:24-26)

- What steps can we take to ignite a passion to be used by God and to cultivate the intimate relationship He intended for us?
- Is there a difference between a Christian and a Disciple? What does it mean to follow as a disciple, to be... "All in?"

### **Our example matters** (Numbers 32:6-23)

- Moses rebukes the tribes of Reuben and Gad for their request and recounts the failed attempt of their fathers to wholly follow God and enter in to the land the first time. What instruction does this provide us on how we are to conduct our lives? What does this reveal to us about the impact of our actions on others around us?
- Ruben & Gad were unintentional and unaware of the impact they would have on others. It is easy for us to forget that our daily actions make a profound impact on those around us. What point does Moses make about this?
- What kind of impact is your life having on others? Are you intentional or unintentional in your role to impact others? (For help: consider the great commission Mat 28:19)

### **Serving because you have to is not being All in.** (Numbers 32:16-25)

- The tribes of Reuben and Gad inform Moses of the conditions by which they will cross the Jordan with the children of Israel to drive out their enemies in the land. Moses agrees, but points out that if they fail to do so, they have sinned against the LORD and their sin will find them out. Explain what Moses is referring to?
- Moses confirms that they can build their fortified cities for their little ones and the folds for their sheep and to do what has proceeded out of their mouth. When we negotiate our own terms of service to God, who are we really serving?

### **Serving without being All In produces Rotten Fruit**

- Talk about different outcomes of doing something with passion and full commitment versus "punching the clock".
- God's will is revealed in God's Word. Discuss the long term results of pursuing our own desires above God's declared will?