

## To Infinity and Beyond

**Exodus 3:7-10**

**Acts 1:4-9**

**MOVEMENT!**

God wants to move us and use us to turn this world upside down! But in order to move forward to victory, we must understand God's heart toward movement.

### **Evaluating Our Past:**

**Lamentations 3:40**

**2 Corinthians 13:5**

**Psalms 139:23-24**

***Q – How do we feel we've done as a ministry so far this year? (not fishing for positive or negative – want honesty)***

AOOC so far this year...

- Lot of people able to serve in many ways this summer
- Students who went very inspired by REACH
- 5 baptisms (4 girls, one guy)
- Distracted – priority is not fruit / not focused on the mission God has given us

***Q – What should be the spirit as we evaluate our past?***

***Q – What pitfalls could we fall into while going through this process?***

***Q – What happens if we don't have this time of self-evaluation?***

Also important to do with our own spirituality...

### **Exercise:**

Rate yourself from 1-10 on how well you've done so far this year on the following:

1. Relationship with God – Power/Depth/Connection/Consistency/Growth
2. Evangelism & Fruitfulness
3. Work Ethic
4. Empowering and being an agent of repentance to those in your ministry
5. Fruit's of the Spirit
6. Repentance
7. Faith – Stepping out beyond yourself, vision for self and the ministry, etc.
8. Self Motivated – Going beyond what is expected or what's asked of you
9. Follow through on what you have begun
10. Expectations of others
11. Team Player vs. Critical Spirit
12. Teachability – pursuing training, discipling, help, advice
13. Humility with others (receiving teaching, advice, discipling, correction, etc.)
14. Sexual Purity
15. Integrity
16. Matthew 6:33 principle

17. Building family
18. Public Speaking (if applicable)

**Moving Forward:**

**Isaiah 43:18-19**

**Psalm 40:3**

**Ezekiel 36:26-27**

*Q – How does God want us to view our past?*

*Q – Why does moving forward require something new?*

*Q – How do you typically respond to change/new things?*

God is doing something new – he puts a new spirit in us, gives us a new heart, a new song in our heart, new ideas, god makes something new out of something bad, new convictions, old convictions with renewed passion, etc.

“Let it go!”

Are we willing to let go of the past and be led by God into the future in victory?

- This includes letting go of the bad
- AND moving past the good (not living in the “glory days”)

**Exercise:**

Brainstorming for the Fall

Which of these areas will be your area of focus for this fall semester?