

Week of 04-16-2023

Series: The Story, Ch. 4, Pt. 1

Sermon: Look and Live

Text: Numbers 1-36

### Sermon Outline:

1. God's will is that our lives be oriented towards Him. (1:1-10:10)
2. Sin both causes and is caused by disorientation from Him. (10:11-19:22)
3. God's faithfulness calls us to reorient our lives in Him. (20:1-36:13)

### Discussion Questions:

1. Read Numbers 9:15-23. God's will is that our lives be oriented towards Him. Are the decisions you make and the actions you take (*when to stay/go, in what direction, and with whom*) directed towards God? For instance:
  - When you make decisions regarding where to live, what job to take, what school to attend, who to date (*or to marry*), where and to what extent to be generous?
  - What news to share, what secrets to keep, what sin to hide/disclose?
  - Where to serve, what to give your time to, how to use your influence?
2. Read Numbers 11:4-6 and 13:27-14:4. Israel had become disoriented and wanted to go back to Egypt.
  - Why did they complain about their current circumstances?
  - If applicable, how has sin caused you to long for the way things used to be?
  - How has that longing led you to sin?
3. Read Numbers 21:4-9, John 3:14-15, and Hebrews 12:1-2.
  - Do you think of all who were bitten and looked at the bronze snake on the pole, some had more faith than others?
  - If so, which ones were healed?
  - What must we now do to find healing, rescue, and even faith today?
4. Read 1 Corinthians 10:1-11.
  - Why was Numbers written?
  - Why was it included in the Bible?
  - Why must we read it?