

Bible Never Said Series – Part 2

Message Summary: Today we continue our series debunking the things the Bible/God never said. There are so many beliefs about God that are simply accepted, when in reality, they're not actually true. I have talked to countless people over the years going through tough times. (Divorce – Health issues – job loss – death of a loved one – bankruptcy – overwhelming stress) Every once in a while, I hear someone say; “Well, I guess God doesn't give us more than we can handle...right?” This isn't entirely true. God may not “GIVE” us more than we can handle but life certainly does! Let's unpack this statement.

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God Will Not Give You More Than You Can Handle

- 1. Understand the dangers of this belief:**
- 2. The Bible is filled with examples of people experiencing more than they can handle.**
- 3. Why does God allow more than we can handle?**
 - A. God allows this as a witness to others** Psalm 40:2-3
 - B. We learn to rely only on God and not ourselves** 2 Corinthians 1:9
 - C. We become teachable when we're overwhelmed** Matthew 11:28-29
 - D. We experience the power of Jesus** 2 Corinthians 12:9
- 4. How can we experience these results?**
 - **Stop blaming**
 - **Stop resisting**
 - **Start admitting**

LifeGroup QUESTIONS

Begin It (5min) – Open Prayer & Praise

Open it (10min) – Have you heard people use this phrase before? Have you used it when facing challenging times? Explain

Explore It (60min) - Discussion Questions:

1. What are the dangers of this belief?
2. How does it make you feel knowing biblical characters were overwhelmed and were in situations that were more than they could handle?
3. Discuss the four reasons given why God allows more than we can handle. Have you experienced any of these in your own struggles?
4. Discuss the three ways given to experience what God desires when we have more than we can handle.

Apply It (15min): What has God shown you from this message or from your discussion group? What are the steps you need to take?