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DON'T QUIT IN THE DIP

SERMON NOTES:

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

- John 10:10 (NIV)

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

- Galatians 6:9 (NIV)

He said to Nathan the prophet, "Here I am, living in a house of cedar, while the ark of God remains in a tent." Nathan replied to the king, "Whatever you have in mind, go ahead and do it, for the Lord is with you."

- 2 Samuel 7:2-3 (NIV)

Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

- Philippians 1:6 (NIV)

And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.

- Romans 8:28 (NLT)

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DISCUSSION GUIDE:

- 1. When have you tried to find the right answers in the wrong place? How did you know it was the wrong place?
- 2. Was there a time in your life that really made you realize/feel that there's got to be more?
- 3. What is a practical next step towards saying, "Bye-bye, fear," for you, personally?
- 4. Who do you go to when you don't know what to do? And why do you think you go to them specifically?
- 5. Are you in a dip right now? Explain.
- 6. Explain a past time when you couldn't see God moving in your life; how was He actually working in it for your future purpose? How did you feel after realizing His work was still done?
- 7. When have you confused a time of intermission for a finale?
- 8. After discussing these questions, how can you practically set in place accountability in your life to help you get out and stay out of the dip?