

## **Too Small to Fail**

Sunday, January 26, 2020 Dave Michel Stepping Stones Community Church

## 1. Facing your future and feeling inadequate

- Don't look at your <u>limitations</u>
- Don't look at your opposition
- Remember what God has done

<sup>1</sup> "When the LORD your God brings you into the land you are about to enter and occupy, he will clear away many nations ahead of you: the Hittites, Girgashites, Amorites, Canaanites, Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites. These seven nations are greater and more numerous than you…

<sup>17</sup> Perhaps you will think to yourselves, 'How can we ever conquer these nations that are so much more powerful than we are?' <sup>18</sup> But don't be afraid of them! Just remember what the LORD your God did to Pharaoh and to all the land of Egypt...

<sup>21</sup> "No, do not be afraid of those nations, for the LORD our God is among you, and he is a great and awesome God. <sup>22</sup> The LORD your God will drive those nations out ahead of you little by little. You will not clear them away all at once, otherwise the wild animals would multiply too quickly for you. <sup>23</sup> But the LORD your God will hand them over to you.

**Deuteronomy 7:1, 17-18, 21-23** NLT

<sup>29</sup> But I will not drive them out in a single year, because the land would become desolate and the wild animals would multiply and threaten you. <sup>30</sup> I will drive them out a little at a time until your population has increased enough to take possession of the land. Exodus 23:29-30 NLT

## 2. Why is God so slow?

- Too much, too fast can be bad
- We need to rely on God daily

## 3. Take small next steps

- Keystone habits
- Be specific
- Track it
- Aggressively guard it

<sup>31</sup> "The Kingdom of Heaven is like a mustard seed planted in a field. <sup>32</sup> It is the smallest of all seeds, but it becomes the largest of garden plants; it grows into a tree, and birds come and make nests in its branches." Matthew 13:31-32 NLT

	Next Steps:
☐ Atte	nd the rest of "You in Five Years" (2 more)
□ Set	at least one "five year" goal by Feb. 16
□ Com	nmit to a small, specific next step:
☐ Key	stone Habit:
☐ Invit	e a friend to Football Sunday (Feb. 2)
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