

Rachel equips readers to go from delay to action. What kind of leap are you being invited to make? And how can you prepare, plan, and execute that leap? This book outlines five types of leaps you can take using illustrations from the Bible and personal stories.

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From Calling to Vision

As my husband and I sat in the car outside of the financial adviser's office, tears streamed down my face. It was the first time since taking leaps from our jobs into full-time ministry that I'd cried this hard. The floodgates opened and, at the moment, no words of encouragement or Scripture would close them. These tears had been bottled up for weeks, if not months.

I often wonder what it feels like to be on the other end of my sudden tsunami of tears. This has only happened a few times in our marriage, and afterward, my husband always says that I caught him off guard. Quite honestly, I don't know when life will get so heavy, and I tend to hold it together for so long that my recourse will be a good ol' ugly cry.

But on that day, it was a dose of life with a dash of painful reality that became the icing on the cake.

My husband and I knew we were taking a huge leap of faith that most people would consider unwise if the details were known.

And that day, my thoughts were confirmed. As we sat at that long desk with the two cofounders of the financial planning company, one of them bombarded us with questions:

“What will you do when this money runs out?”

“You have a family to take care of. What will you do for their future?”

“This doesn’t look like a sustainable plan.”

“Why are you doing this?”

“What plans do you have next?”

“This isn’t realistic.”

The partner must have felt bad for us since she was the one who invited us to share more about our ministry and explore how they could support us. She tried to soften the blows by explaining how amazing the work was that we were embarking on and how many lives would be transformed, but her business partner wasn’t hearing it. What he didn’t know was that, as a calculated risk taker, I’d already considered everything the adviser was saying. I had questions, and I knew God had the answers. I was just waiting for Him to let me in on the details.

Any day now, God!

It’s difficult to explain to people what you feel God told you in your secret place. It’s called a secret for a reason. If He wanted everyone to know and understand, He’d call it “a public” place. Trying to logically explain something that you don’t fully understand yourself is never easy. We didn’t have all the details. We had just given God our yes, and yet that day, I felt like a complete lunatic.

As I exited the building on that hot summer afternoon, gripped with doubt, shame, and embarrassment, I started to wonder if we had heard God right.

AM I CRAZY?

Have you ever felt an undeniable nudge to do something completely outside of your comfort zone, but totally in the I-must-be-going-crazy zone?

Or have you been right in the place where you always dreamed you would be in a career with great potential for growth, income, and opportunity, only for you to get that feeling in your gut that you are not planted in the right garden?

These thoughts and feelings may be silent indicators of what I like to identify as your calling.

Our calling often presents itself through the unsettled feeling we have when what we are living to do isn't lining up with what we are longing to do. Or when we realize that we have a desire to aid in something far bigger than we have the capacity to understand. Ultimately, our calling reveals itself through a sudden or gradual awareness about a way that we can influence, impact, or transform a situation.

I think of the story of Samuel found in 1 Samuel 3 and how God called him into the role of a prophet. Three times God called Samuel's name. Finally, the third time, Samuel went to his teacher, Eli, who identified for him that it was God calling him and how to respond. What I find interesting is that Samuel didn't seem shocked the first two times that his name was called. He just assumed it was Eli. The tone of voice that called Samuel sounded familiar in a sense. Samuel was so used to listening to and obeying Eli, his default response put him in a place to hear the voice of God.

As you become aware of the voice of God, the beckoning you have been sensing will likely be presented through a tone that sounds familiar as well. Confirmation can occur through a sermon, podcast, online video, friend, or stranger. God will use whatever

means He desires to get your attention as He calls you unto Himself.

But much like Samuel, you may not be comfortable with your calling, or you may not find it easy to respond (1 Sam. 3:15–18). It will require obedience and for you to surrender your will in exchange for God’s way. It will require you to step into the unknown with the One who knows all.

However, God won’t leave us completely unaware. Along the way, He reveals pieces of His plan, and He does that by turning the calling into a vision.


GOD, THE FIRST VISIONARY

Think of vision and calling as the answers to “what?” Vision answers “What is God showing you?” Calling answers “What is God asking of you right *now*?”

God knows how to impart His plans to each of us. He knows exactly how to share His agenda with His children. Through vision, we are given insight into His heavenly blueprint.

In Andy Stanley’s book *Visioneering*, he discusses vision being associated with “the inability to accept things the way they are,” and further explains that visionaries possess “a sense of conviction.” This compulsion moves us “out of the realm of passive concern and into action.”¹

God was the
first visionary.



This definition expresses the essence of why vision is important to taking the leap. God was the first visionary. He envisioned the world a certain way because that is the key to being a visionary. Each leap or action God leads us to take is one way His vision is birthed upon the earth.

God saw that the earth needed life. So, He created everything, including humanity. Because He created people with free will,

God also knew where their choices would eventually lead them. But He already had a plan in place; He had a vision to redeem what was broken because visionaries understand that sometimes we have to start with a clean slate.

How many things have you done and realized, *This isn't it—let me try this again?* Human beings' visions come with plans, but they don't always come with perfect plans that can't be disrupted by other factors.

My first adult hobby/business was a vision gone wrong. I had this great big plan to sell jewelry at a local mall. I put tons of hours into making dozens of earrings, only to find myself four hours into the day without a single customer or sale.

Back to the drawing board.

Or the time I sold credit card machines and thought that I'd build my own company from it, as the parent company assured me was possible. I spent hours driving to small businesses trying to convince them that they were missing out if they didn't have these new machines. Credit card machines would be the new way to sell products. As true as that may have been, trying to sell something new to people who liked the old way of doing things wasn't a lucrative endeavor. So, my dream to start a credit card machine sales company went down the drain when I didn't hit the sales quota.

Or the time I started a mentorship program for writers and had one semi-successful year, so I decided to do a full-out Black Friday sale with advertising and branding, only to fail in selling a single slot for the upcoming program. Guess where I went?

Back to the drawing board.

My friend, here is what I would like you to understand: when we are led by vision, we must be willing to make major changes along the way. Sometimes complete do-overs.

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God's original plan was an earth that was filled with loving, righteous, blameless beings who walked in close fellowship with Him, much like Noah (see Gen. 6:9)—not corrupt, idol-worshipping, sinful humans, much like everyone else in the world.

He wanted a world that could live in the blessings He had reserved, not the curse it deserved.

Revelation 22:3-5 tells us:

No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

God is the ultimate definition of a visionary. He wrote a plan to save the world and shared it with us in His Word. Currently, we are seeing the pieces of His strategic plan in motion all around us. He sees where our world is headed. He has a glorious and suitable way to solve the problem of sin that is destroying the place He created for us, His children, to occupy. He desires to fix it, but He desires our partnership along the way. We partner best with God in two ways: prayer and execution.

HEAVEN'S REWARD

Our partnership with Christ's vision makes us visionaries, and as visionaries in Christ, we bring solutions to the world's problems. People with problems recognize those who can help solve them. This is why so many ran to Jesus when they saw Him. They may not have known how, but somehow, they knew He was a solution

to the problems in *their* world. When we become followers of Jesus, we become a solution to the problems that exist in this world, and people will come from far and wide just to seek the insight that we have by way of heavenly wisdom. Our access to this divine wisdom, knowledge, and understanding is truly priceless. Jesus modeled this for us very well.

However, as you give God your yes, you will find many emotions—fear, excitement, anxiety, frustration, and many more—knocking at the door of your heart. But remember, we shouldn't let them lead. Emotions are great servants but terrible masters, especially if they are rooted in lies.

Lies will say,

“It will be too hard.”

“It will become a financial burden.”

“It will not line up with future plans that have been on your heart.”

“You can't do it now because . . .”

“You have to know the end at the beginning.”

“God taking care of you may look like suffering.”

When you begin to feel these emotions while partnering with God in taking the leap, it's an indication to make an exchange—the lie that the enemy wants you to obsess over for the truth that God wants you to meditate on. Remind yourself, *The risk is worth heaven's reward.*

When this happens, it's also a great time to read the Scriptures to Stand On aloud that have been provided to you at the end of this book and keep your eyes on Jesus. As we begin to take this journey, I want to remind you, “The blessing of the LORD makes rich, and he adds no sorrow with it” (Prov. 10:22).

Whatever you choose in obedience to God will not harm you. It will work out well for you as you begin to declare with expect-

tation what Romans 8:28 exhorts: this will turn out for my good.

We are not called to figure out how to solve problems; we are called to face them. God already has the solution. He just needs someone who is willing to stand in the gap between earth and heaven. Later we will discuss the power of prayer as you take your leap, but know this: prayer is key to progressing as a visionary. Visionaries must replace their fear with prayer so that God's wisdom and insight can be accessed. This means not leaning on our own understanding of what the vision could be saying but rather asking God for His interpretation and revelation.

Prayer is our greatest preparation. The work we do in the secret place to hear God's heart and voice will prepare us for the work He has called us to do openly. The secret place, as I have come to know it, is the place where the scrolls of heaven are revealed to us so that we can get strategy and wisdom from the throne of grace. It's where we could learn to hear and steward the heart of God for His people. It's where we may get our marching orders and weaponry for the work ahead. It is where the strategy for the vision is unveiled.

There will always be a war going on among our spirit, soul, and flesh. The flesh desires comfort and convenience; the soul desires security and certainty. Yet, when we have chosen Christ, we are filled with the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Spirit desires the will of God. It would be great if all three of them were always in sync, but often they are not. However, there is one authority who can balance them all when we are surrendered: God. He can bring peace where chaos may try to exist. And through prayer, we access the Holy Spirit who then "intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words" (Rom. 8:26).

And the beauty of the secret place is that it is found when we silence the noise around us and allow ourselves to tune in to the peace beyond our understanding that God provides.

TOO BIG FOR ME

God led Abraham into new territory, Peter into ministry, Nehemiah into a new industry, Paul into new leadership, and Jesus into a new level of honor. And He is calling us into a new encounter with Him through our leaps.

The call may be great, but the crown will be greater.

To say that God was the first visionary can feel a bit intimidating, especially when we consider that He is calling us to partner in that vision.

Often when people become crippled by fear of the unknown, it's because they begin formulating ideas and possibilities for what it may look like if they partner with God's big vision. I always say that the enemy works in three ways: imagination, speculation, and negative thoughts.

He will try to get us to imagine ourselves living out the worst-case scenario of what we will sacrifice as we pursue the vision. Then he uses evidence from the past to try to form a false narrative in our minds of what *could* happen based on what has happened to us or others who did this same thing. Finally, if the first two tricks don't work, he just whispers negative thoughts, lies, doubts, and threats. He will say anything to get us to believe that God doesn't have our best interest at heart with His request.

But that will no longer work for us because we will choose to trust God's wisdom, truth, and best for our lives, even if what He asks is out of our comfort zone. Remember the Bible instructs: "And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold and will inherit eternal life" (Matt. 19:29).

What is this saying? It implies that anybody willing to leave their comfort zone—which is what a home represents—and follow

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Jesus will receive much more than they lost. He is giving us a beautiful promise as we surrender in obedience.

We may be asked to make a big sacrifice, but it's not too big for the God who will carry the load with you. God will put His super on your natural and help you walk out His great vision.

I've heard it said that we are not building our kingdom; we are building God's and He knows just how to build His kingdom well.

The Vehicle of a Vision

Hannah Hurnard, the author of *Hinds' Feet on High Places*, takes us on a journey of being led by God into His greater plan for our lives. As the main character Much-Afraid learns to exchange comfort for courage, we get to see how she overcomes the many obstacles that block her from becoming the person God created her to be.

At the beginning of the book, Much-Afraid begins to share with the Chief Shepherd her desire and hesitancy with regard to traveling to High Places: “These mountains are so steep and dangerous. I have been told that only the hinds and the deer can move on them safely.”

In response, the Chief Shepherd tells her:

“It is quite true that the way up to the High Places is both difficult and dangerous. . . . It has to be, so that nothing which is an enemy of Love can make the ascent and invade the Kingdom. Nothing blemished or in any way imperfect is allowed there,

and the inhabitants of the High Places do need ‘hinds’ feet.’ I have them myself . . . and like a young hart or a roebuck I can go leaping on the mountains and skipping on the hills with the greatest ease and pleasure.”²

Why am I sharing this with you?

As I begin to explain the five types of leaps and the story behind each one, it may be tempting to imagine the dangers that could lie ahead of you. However, I want to remind you that leaping is far less about making it to the peak and far more about who you become in the process. It is about ascending to the high place, not descending into defeat. This is what Much-Afraid learned as she traveled and what we will learn as well.

A leap is a vehicle that God uses to move us from preparing to planning and eventually to executing the vision He has given us. These three steps—Preparing, Planning, and Executing—are what I like to call heaven’s PPE.

PREPARE, PLAN, EXECUTE

Years ago, I had an acquaintance who I would meet up with occasionally. She was motivated, focused, and had her entire life planned out. Whenever we’d get together, I would listen as she talked about finishing school and landing her dream job, which would lead to fulfilling all her subsequent life plans. Each year’s plan included a milestone, from starting her career and getting married to having children (in a specific order), and everything in between.

I would often listen to her while wondering to myself, *What if it doesn’t work out that way? She will be devastated.* One day, I asked her that exact question. “What if it doesn’t happen as you planned?” Her response was simple (and obvious to her). “It will,”

she said, looking at me as if I were from another planet. I conceded and moved on to another conversation. Honestly, I couldn't argue against her confidence.

Needless to say, things turned out completely different than she had ever planned. Unexpected losses led her down a path that she never dreamed of. Looking back, I couldn't fault her for planning the way she had. We had learned to do just that. I'm sure, like me, she had been taught the old adage, "If you fail to plan, you plan to fail."

I don't recall the first person who said those words to me, but from that moment until now, it's stuck with me. She had obviously heard the same thing. And in many ways, this thinking is beneficial in business, parenting, time management, and life. Success is about how we plan, prepare, and execute, in that exact order.

However, I noticed something unique about how the kingdom of God operates. In the kingdom, instead of *planning* first, God starts our journey off by *preparing* us. God tends to prepare us initially through experiences that become lessons. Then when He reveals the plans He had all along, we are able to execute them based on the knowledge we gained during the prior preparation season.

Understanding how that one small change, preparation *before* the planning, works in real-time will make all the difference as we begin to learn about making leaps.

WHAT LEAP ARE YOU TAKING?

As we begin to discuss the leaps, keep in mind there are two ways to look at these leaps: your natural inclination (which leap you tend to do most often, naturally) and your situational need (which leap you are feeling called to make currently).

For example, the Fisherman's Leap comes naturally to me because I'm always looking for new and fresh opportunities. However, the Shepherd's Leap is a little harder for me since I like stability and routine in my home life.

Understanding both our natural inclination (or predisposition) and our situational need with regard to leaps helps us respond and adjust quicker. When we are aware of these two things, we don't spend as much time questioning our choices or God's leading. We respond faster because we understand and acknowledge the way God has wired us or what He is leading us to do, and trust that they are both part of His divine will.

I've created an online quiz to help you identify the natural inclination you have as a leaper. (You can take this quiz by visiting rachelgscott.com/takingthe5leapsquiz.) Our time together in this book will focus more on your situational needs, yet the tools you learn will give you the knowledge and understanding needed for both scenarios.

The Fisherman's Leap

I've always wanted to experience the world of fishing. Over the years, I imagined myself on a 73-degree summer day, sitting on a still boat in the middle of a calm lake, waves lapping against the hull. The idea of having nothing around but beautiful water, blue skies, and perfect rays of sun seems heavenly. Yet, my dream fishing trip comes to a screeching halt when the sound of my two teenagers arguing from the other room reminds me that I am not on anyone's boat in the middle of calm water on a perfect 73-degree day!

That image of fishing is perfect for today's leisure pastime, but nothing compared to the disciples' lives as fishermen.

The career of a fisherman in the Bible was not one that was admired or esteemed. It required long, hard hours of work with

little to no return. Fishermen were far from the elite class, but their work was a fundamental part of the economic system of that time in biblical history. Not only did they have to patiently wait for fish, but they also had to sort them for sale, wash and mend nets, and complete other tedious yet essential tasks.

Fishermen, such as Peter, Andrew, James, and John, were hard-working business owners and good at what they did! Through their efforts, they established financial security for their families. However, perhaps right at the height of fishing season, a life-changing moment occurred. They were faced with an ultimatum: eternal life or earthly rewards.

Were they willing to give up all they had built and their legacies to follow Jesus?

This is the path of the Fisherman's Leap. The person who makes this leap has been called to leave his or her career and go fully into something else God has instructed them to do. Essentially, **this leap is to walk away from the known and travel into the unknown.**

Although each of the disciples was called to follow Jesus and leave everything, we learn that the plan Jesus had for Peter was distinct. This is why we will focus primarily on Peter's story when talking about the Fisherman's Leap moving forward.

Here is the thing—in the end, Peter had to make a decision that we all must make at some point, no matter the leap. Are we willing to deny, pick up, and follow (Matt. 16:24)? Peter chose to follow; what will you choose?

The Tentmaker's Leap

One of the first ministries my husband and I started was in 2016 while we were still working full-time and raising a house full of children. We certainly already had a full plate, but we still felt

God nudging us to step out and start a ministry that would serve blended families around the globe.

For several years, we worked full-time during the day and, in the evening or on the weekends, we planned events, created content, shared on podcasts or television interviews, managed blog contributors, conducted workshops, and more.

Doing this was not an easy undertaking! It was a season when our willingness to say yes to God wasn't contingent on convenience, but rather obedience.

Looking back, I realize that juggling full-time work, family, and ministry was what we had been called to do for that season. God equips those He calls, and He did that with us just as He did with the apostle Paul.

Paul was skilled in what we would now call apologetics and tentmaking. His knowledge of religion and Jewish law worked as a disadvantage to followers of the risen Christ until his conversion on the road to Damascus. Once Paul was converted to Christianity, his focus became the transformation and salvation of the Gentiles, but he still had to have a profession or trade to obtain income. As we see in Acts 20:34, his tentmaking funded his ministry and personal needs so that he could focus on instruction for the church.

The person who has a similar experience is known as the Tentmaker. Much like how Paul used his skill to build tents to support himself and the ministry, the person in this leap is fulfilling the work of God all while God blesses the work of his or her hands through their career.

Being a tentmaker requires stepping out and partnering with God as your job and God's calling occupy space in the same season. It also requires a strong community, willingness to delegate, and trust in God for the details, as we see with Paul. He always

ends his letters by thanking those who are co-laboring with him because the work of a tentmaker cannot be done alone.

The Builder's Leap

Nehemiah is one of my favorite characters in the Bible. I have always admired his ability to stay focused and combat distractions in order to complete the work God called him to do. His understanding of the temporary nature of his assignment and leadership ability are both impressive and encouraging.

The Bible tells us that Nehemiah was a high-ranking official in the Persian court of King Artaxerxes I at the capital city of Susa and was a cupbearer to the king. He was asked to travel nearly a thousand miles to rebuild and reestablish a community that had been destroyed for decades, and he accomplished this assignment in just fifty-two days (Neh. 6:15).

Nehemiah's task of rebuilding the wall was not planned. The first chapter of the book of Nehemiah explains that his life was interrupted by a visit from his brother and men from Judah who had come with news that "the remnant there in the province who had survived the exile is in great trouble and shame. The wall of Jerusalem is broken down, and its gates are destroyed by fire" (Neh. 1:3).

After much prayer and petition, Nehemiah was sent on a temporary assignment to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem to help fortify the city. How do we know it was temporary? In Nehemiah 2:6, it says, "The king said to me (the queen sitting beside him), 'How long will you be gone, and when will you return?' So it pleased the king to send me when I had given him a time."

Nehemiah's leap was not the same as Peter's or Paul's. Nehemiah's leap is what I aptly call the Builder's Leap.

This leap is one in which you are temporarily called away from a full-time career to fulfill God's work in other ways, but

you will return to the career in some capacity or to any area of work once the task is complete.

Nehemiah was on a specific assignment and when that assignment was complete, he was to return to being a cupbearer for the king. He put everything in place financially and logistically to step away from his work with the understanding that he would be returning.

I hope that this will be freeing for you if you feel called to take a leap to care for an elderly parent, homeschool a child, start a business, write a book, or anything else that may actually be a temporary assignment.

Allow God to reveal His plans to you and trust Him with the next steps.

The Shepherd's Leap

There's nothing better to me than beautiful palm trees, sunny blue skies, summer dresses, and flip-flops. Unfortunately, the location where I currently live boasts gray clouds, snow boots, coats, and gloves 65 percent of the year.

Recently, the topic of living in a warmer climate has been at the top of my list. My husband agrees that the conditions would be much more accommodating for us and our family, and since we both work from home, career flexibility would help. Yet, there are many things to consider that aren't quite as simple.

Will we sell or rent our home? Is the market good? Where will we live? Will the new school system be good for our children? Who will care for our elderly parents? What if the market in our industry changes? What if we don't go, and then live with the regret that we didn't?

The list goes on and on.

The unknown is risky and can be scary no matter how many answers we may have at our disposal. Wisdom and worry can be difficult to distinguish between in moments like this. Relocation is a huge leap, and it's the one God called Abraham to take. This leap, known as the Shepherd's Leap, is centered around Abraham, a shepherd who was called to relocate with his family and wealth (see Gen. 12:5) to occupy new territory.

In Genesis 12:1, God tells Abraham to "go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you." If we don't read what happened before this, it can be very easy to misinterpret what God was telling Abraham.

In Genesis 11:27-32, we find the story of Abraham's father, Terah, who began a mission with his son and grandson Lot to leave the land of Ur of the Chaldeans and set out to the land of Canaan. However, in verse 31, we learn that "when they came to Haran, they settled there," and the family remained there until Terah died.

Later, the Word tells us that Abraham finally made it to Canaan (see Gen. 12:5). Wait, pause. Often, we think Abraham didn't know where he was going. That is not at all the case. Abraham was not aimlessly traveling, waiting for God to tell him when to pitch his tent, but rather intentionally journeying so that he could complete the last instructions that the generation before him had left unfinished. It was in Canaan that God could fulfill His promise to His people through Abraham. But Abraham had to be in the location where the land could be shown to him.

I have often heard people refer to this Scripture as a reason to take a leap without direction, clarity, or resources. "Well, God didn't tell *Abraham* where to go," they say. Before I knew better, I personally used this as a reason for leaps and found myself in a mess. If we don't understand that Abraham had provisions and

knew where he was going, we may use this Scripture to inaccurately validate our lack of preparedness. Abraham was being called to new territory in order to complete an assignment that his father had left incomplete. God gave him all the provisions he needed ahead of time so that he had no reason to delay.

The Shepherd's Leap is about going into new territory for something God wants to release to us. It's about being entrusted with more because God has promises that can only be fulfilled in that place. If you are being called to the Shepherd's Leap, know that you get to be the generation that walks in obedience and goes from the pitstop into His purpose.

The Trailblazer's Leap

When we think of all the leaps we make throughout our lifetime, it might help to know that our model and the greatest example of living a leaping lifestyle is Jesus!

That's why He is our example for the Trailblazer's Leap.

You see, Jesus went before us in all things, and that includes taking leaps. He modeled for us what it looks like to live and lead a lifestyle of leaps. Although He said that we will do greater works than He did (John 14:12), His leap will always remain the greatest to ever be done. This is why His leap is called the Trailblazer's Leap. Because He did it first, His children can experience it in an even greater capacity than we otherwise might!

Here is what I mean.

John 3:13 tells us, "No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man." Here we see Jesus exchanging His seat in heavenly places at the right hand of the Father for a temporary assignment that required Him to occupy new territory on earth. His choice to go from heaven to earth models for us the Shepherd's Leap and the temporary nature of

this leap models for us the Builder's Leap.

When He came to dwell among us as Savior of the world, carpenter, and teacher, He performed both ministry and career duties. Both roles and responsibilities occupied space in the same season until He went into full-time public ministry. All of this is a beautiful example of what it looks like to take the Tentmaker's Leap.

And we dare not forget about the final three years of Jesus' life where He fully committed Himself to the work of the Father through full-time ministry. Up until this time, He honored His parents by working in the family business as a carpenter and spent time learning in the synagogues. Any ministry work He did was to be kept private as was His divine mission on the earth. But at the age of thirty, He separated Himself from the family business to begin His full-time ministry. This, my friend, is exactly what it looks like to take the Fisherman's Leap.

If you are someone who has taken all of the other leaps, you are now a trailblazer. You get to teach and support others as they take leaps. This doesn't mean that your leaping days are over. It just means you have a little more skin in the game than someone who hasn't made leaps before.

Leaping isn't for the faint of heart, but if we understand that it's so much bigger than us, we won't grow weary in well-doing.

Friend, leaping is a lifestyle. That doesn't make it easy, but it is a reality. As you read this book, I want you to consider how many leaps you have taken in your lifetime. Think about parents or friends who have taken leaps. You will begin to see a pattern. It's a common part of our journey here on earth, but God equips us in the most unimaginable ways.

So, what are leaps really about?

I'm glad you asked.

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