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A NEWSTORY CHURCH SERIES

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pt2, Adonai: My Lord, My Master

Icebreaker: Share about an authority figure in your own life, either from the present or from the past. What aspects of their authority were good or difficult (or both) for you?

1) How does Netflix's shift from rigid authority to a more empowering culture resonate with the Biblical concept of God as Adonai? Where else do you see this type of empowering authority in our culture?

2) According to the sermon, true lordship provides purpose and context for freedom. How have you experienced this in your own life? In what ways has embracing God's authority led you to a greater sense of freedom and purpose?

3) Abram had to wait 10 years for God to fulfill His promise. In your own life, how have you dealt with the "gaps" between God's revelation and its fulfillment? Share any personal stories of trusting God's timing in those moments?

4) The speaker distinguishes between authority and control. How can we differentiate between a healthy, God-given authority in our lives versus unhealthy forms of control in the world?

5) Abram's use of Adonai as a declaration of both trust and dependence on God's ownership highlights a deep relationship with God. How can we bring our questions, doubts, and fears to God while still acknowledging His ownership over our lives?

6) The sermon highlights three qualities of Adonai: perfect character, complete power, and unconditional love. Which one of these qualities of God's character resonate with you and shapes your view of authority and leadership in your life?

7) How does the concept of God as Adonai challenge or change our understanding of relationships with authority figures? Is it possible to experience genuine freedom and flourishing under someone's lordship? How can we model this type of lordship in our own lives?