

**Date: November 4, 2018**

**Sermon Title: Limitless Part 3**

**Speaker: Richard Smith**

**Scripture text(s): Ephesians 3:20, Luke 18:1-8**

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- 1) Luke 18:1-8. What is the main lesson here?
- 2) Richard shared the illustration of a fish flopping around until a wave comes to wash him back into the water. What is the point of the illustration? How did this help you?
- 3) Richard gave 7 reasons why waiting is a huge part of prayer. (1) to remind us that God alone is our Provider (Deut. 8:17-18); (2) to increase our passion about the request (Acts 4:29-30); (3) to more greatly value the Lord's answers; (4) to maximize our effectiveness; (5) to cause us to evaluate the spiritual condition of our lives (Isaiah 59:1-2); (6) to increase our love for praying; and (7) a long war requires many battles (Ephesians 6:12 and Daniel 10:12-13). Which of these encouraged you the most? Which do you find most challenging?
- 4) Discuss how these 7 reasons have played out in your life and how the Lord has used these principles to show you more of Himself.
- 5) Richard said, "If your prayers don't mean anything to you then they don't mean anything to God." How does this spur you on in prayer? How does this convict you?
- 6) Share with the group a time when you persevered in prayer. What were the affects of that time in your life and how did God answer? Are you in a time of persevering prayer and no answer has come yet? What is God teaching you through the waiting?