Helping a New Generation

Moving on with the Word

Deuteronomy 1:5-6

* These two verses contrast Mt Sinai (Horeb) where Moses received the Law and Mt Seir in Jordan where Moses taught the Law to the next generation. What were the marching orders from both places? Why does God keep us moving?
* From slavery to barren, howling wilderness, God developed His people. In our “perfect life,” and “dream house” culture, how does God get us to go where He needs us?
* How can the perfect life be unsatisfying without God? How can a life you never wanted be great with God?
* The Israelites had seen amazing things 40 yrs ago (exodus, Mt Sinai) but had insisted on having things the way they were a few years before that (safe slavery with cucumbers and leeks). 40 yrs later, their children now had to live in their own day. How can the past be important, and also dangerous for Jesus followers?
* Moses led them in great military victories but spent his last energy explaining the scripture (instead of military tactics) to the next generation. Why is the word of God the long haul solution for discipleship?
* If you are faithful like Joshua and Caleb you will have to spend your days with those less faithful (Deut 1:34-38). Why does God do that?