



# World Pathfinder Day 2021 Divine Service Bundle

**Theme: I WILL GO**

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# Greetings

Hello dear Pathfinders!

Can you believe we are celebrating yet another World Pathfinder Day?! It is incredible and a blessing we should not take for granted during such difficult times worldwide. But here we are, PATHFINDER STRONG! Ready, eager, and standing firm for Christ.

Remember that the Lord is calling out to the hearts of all Pathfinders to reflect His love to others and share the beauty of the everlasting gospel. I urge you to never resist His call and confidently respond “I WILL GO,” wherever He may lead you, to whoever He may lead you.

I pray you enjoy today’s joyous celebration of this powerful movement we hold dear. Make sure to sing with your whole heart, pray fervently, speak His word, and show the world who we are and who we serve.

HAPPY WORLD PATHFINDER DAY!



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Andrés J. Peralta".

Andrés J. Peralta  
World Pathfinder Director



# Pathfinder Day Info\*

Theme:  
I Will Go

Pathfinder Day should be a full day celebration including:

1. Spiritual Activity (Morning Worship)
2. Outreach Activities (Sabbath Afternoon) / (GPS: Global Pathfinder Service)
3. Social Activities (After the Sabbath)

7 Recommendations for Pathfinder Day:

1. Church Services including divine hour conducted by Pathfinders.
2. Participation in Community Service on Sabbath afternoon.
3. Collection of a special offering for the Pathfinder Ministry.
4. Baptismal service for Pathfinders.
5. Study of the History of Pathfinders in the Seventh-day Adventist Church.
6. Take a club picture and share it on social media #WPD21,#WPD2021
7. Invite friends to share in the activities of the day.

Resources available for you:

1. General Information about Pathfinder Day 2021
2. Recommend outline for the day (Divine Service)
3. Pathfinder Day Official Promotion Video
4. I Will Go Loops
5. I Will Go 5 min Countdown (Church Service)
6. I Will Go Templates for Keynote & PowerPoint
7. Social Media promos
8. Flyer
9. Sermon Scripts
10. Sermon Presentations in Keynote & PowerPoint

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COVID-19 protocols



# Pathfinder Day Service Suggestion

- Welcome/ Pathfinder Day Introduction
- Countdown Video
- Assemble for Processional Entrance
- Processional Entrance
- Invocation
- Pathfinder Song
- Pledge, Law, Aim, Motto
- Welcome & Announcements
- Director's Greeting video
- Opening Song
- Prayer
- Special Item (it can be music)
- Scripture Reading
- Tithes & Offering
- Special Item (it can be music)
- Sermon: (select from options provided)
- Closing Song
- Closing Prayer
- LUNCH



# Tips for Online Meetings

## **Keep it simple.**

It's always best to keep your setup simple to lower the possibilities of technical errors.

## **Have backup equipment ready to go.**

Even with a simple setup, there is still a chance your equipment may fail. It's always best to play it safe and keep backups of your needed equipment if possible. Make sure everything is charged or connected.

## **Lighting, Lighting, Lighting!**

Check your lighting ahead of time to make sure it's ideal and avoid backlighting your subject. If you're filming outside, be mindful of the sun. Glare from the sun can prevent your video from being seen.

## **Enhance sound quality and minimize background noise.**

A lapel mic or even the typical headphone-mic combo can achieve this. If it's windy, find some sort of cover to block the wind. Don't forget to find a quiet room for your livestream set up. BE CAREFUL WITH HOT MICS! Always make sure your microphone is on when you need it and off when you're not the speaker.

## **Ensure internet strength.**

Test your internet speed leading up to your event to ensure you have consistent internet or your live stream may not be viewable by your audience.

## **Preparation is key.**

Review the program with your team and set up rehearsals. This will help lessen any last-minute mistakes. Too much is happening too quickly in a live environment; you can think more clearly about what needs to be done days in advance.

## **Monitor your stream on an extra display.**

Monitoring is important so you can ensure a reliable and professional live stream. An extra display provides valuable perspective by letting you see your live show through the eyes of your viewers.

## **Look at the camera – not the monitor!**

Resist the urge to stare at the monitor! Try your best to keep your eyes looking at the camera. This will also help your viewers feel engaged.

## **Respond to comments live (if possible).**

Interacting with your viewers in this way helps boost engagement with your audience and keeps them coming back for more.





# Tips for Preaching Online

- Preach Shorter
- Preach up close and personal
- Eye Contact Matters
- Be Yourself
- Up Your Energy!
- Preach the Word
- Use Illustrations
- Greet your audience
- Interact with your audience
- Be relevant
- Encourage your congregation to share your sermons and appreciate the trust they place in you by sharing it.
- Remember to PRAY!



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## Sermon 1: I Will Go

### Bible Scripture: 1 Samuel 17:32

"David said to Saul, "Let no one lose heart on account of this Philistine; your servant will go and fight him."

#### Introduction: When no one is encouraged to go.

Pathfinders, brothers, and sisters who are joining us today, I would like for you to imagine for a moment that you are at the Staples Center, home of the Los Angeles Lakers, a professional basketball team from the United States based in Los Angeles, California. You're sitting in the front row, when suddenly someone announces that their best player LeBron Raymone James wants to play a one-on-one with a fan, and no one dares to come forward. So, you, who've never played basketball, raise your hand, and say, I'll go. Everyone is amazed and immediately thinks to themselves, the great defeat and humiliation you are going to experience.

I want to give a second example: imagine that you are now at Allianz Stadium, a football stadium located in the Italian city of Turin, capital of Piedmont. Its owner is the Juventus Club, being the first Italian team to own a stadium. World renowned soccer player, Cristiano Ronaldo, who has scored about 760 goals in his professional career, is a wrecker with his legs and moves the ball with a unique agility, plays for this team. You're still sitting in the front row, when it's announced, that he wants to play with the first available fan to see who can execute a goal first. Nobody raises their hand and once again never having played football, you say: I will go. Everyone in the stadium thinks you're going to be humiliated.

Now, come with me to the battlefield and let's analyze the dimensions of a warrior who is challenging God's people. His name is Goliath, and he has two surnames: the terrible giant and the broken bones. His personal record up to that point is that he has not lost a single match and the men who have fought with him have never fought again.

Let's look at his general information: Goliath was extraordinarily tall even by today's standards. The bible tells us his height is "six cubits and a span" (2.97m). His coat of scale armor of bronze



weighing five thousand shekels (57 kg), and the iron blade of his spear 600 shekels (6.8 kg) (1 Samuel 17:4, 5, 7). He was from Rapha and may have been a mercenary soldier of the Philistine army (1Cr 20:5, 8;).

We move now to the battlefield when the question is asked: **who wants to fight Goliath?** No one wants to die young and leave their family childless. Incidentally in the previous two competitions, there is no offer to play with LeBron and Cristiano, but whoever faces the giant Goliath, King Saul will give him one of his daughters per wife. Even with this offer nobody is interested and now 40 days have passed. But a young man who had never put on a military uniform, who hadn't been on a battlefield, who knew nothing about giants, said, I will go and fight.

You remember the examples I gave at the beginning; well, this was worse. Everyone who was on the battlefield, said: A SURE DEATH.

**To make a decision of that magnitude we have to review David's record before the battle. That is where the key lies. BEFORE YOU GO, YOU HAVE TO MEET GOD.**

**Development: the warrior that God desires to send, what is he or she doing?**

- 1. Before reaching the battle, he makes sure that God has been with him, and he has been with God.**

1 Samuel 17:37 *"The Lord who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine."*

Psalms 23:1 *"The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing."*

Psalms 5:3 *"In the morning, Lord, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait expectantly."*

David's preparation did not begin with that great battle, it began alone with God and those small spiritual and physical victories prepared him for the great challenges he later faced.

- 2. The warrior called by God is humble and obedient**

**1 Samuel 17:34 and 35**



<sup>34</sup> But David said to Saul, “Your servant has been keeping his father’s sheep. When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock,

<sup>35</sup> I went after it, struck it, and rescued the sheep from its mouth. When it turned on me, I seized it by its hair, struck it and killed it.

David's assignment was to care for the sheep, while his brothers shone in the king's army. But David made a good decision. As long as the sheep were in his hands, he would fight with God's help not to lose a single one of them.

Many times, we want to reach lofty goals with little to no effort and that is not in God's plan.

The formula is: God + effort + perseverance = success.

1 Samuel 17:17 and 18

*Now Jesse said to his son David, “Take this ephah of roasted grain and these ten loaves of bread for your brothers and hurry to their camp. Take along these ten cheeses to the commander of their unit. See how your brothers are and bring back some assurance from them.*

David is as a shepherd and errand boy, but that doesn't limit his efforts to do his best.

### **3. The warrior must bring God to the camp.**

David said in 1 Samuel 17:26 “*Who is this uncircumcised Philistine that he should defy the armies of the living God?*”

Israel's army had 40 days talking about the giant, David immediately begins talking about God.

### **4. The warrior is not afraid if God is at their side.**

1 Samuel 17:26 “*David asked the men standing near him, “What will be done for the man who kills this Philistine and removes this disgrace from Israel? Who is this uncircumcised Philistine that he should defy the armies of the living God?”*

Verse 32: “*David said to Saul, “Let no one lose heart on account of this Philistine; your servant will go and fight him.”*



Psalms 125:1 *"Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,  
which cannot be shaken but endures forever."*

##### **5. The warrior when he goes in the name of the Lord does not hear the negative voices**

Verse: 33 *"Saul replied, "You are not able to go out against this Philistine and fight him; you are only a young man, and he has been a warrior from his youth."*

verse: 37 *"The Lord who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine."*

*Saul said to David, "Go, and the Lord be with you."*

David doesn't say: I think he'll deliver me; he says he WILL deliver me. David is sure that he will be victorious.

##### **Dear Pathfinders, brothers, and sisters I want to tell you the story of a great person who fought like a true warrior: Jackie Robinson**

His hitting style, his speed, the security of his glove, everything seemed to indicate that he was the player who would make his team win. He had only one problem: the color of his skin. Since 1892, African Americans were prohibited from playing in the United States Professional Baseball League. But Branch Rickey wanted Jackie to play for the Dodgers. As a Christian, Rickey was willing to do his part to break down the racial barriers that divided the nation.

Rickey knew that hiring an African American carried many risks for the player, because throughout the season he would receive insults, death threats, balls from pitchers, attacks from his own teammates. The issue wasn't just whether the Dodgers would have the courage to hire the player, but whether the player would have the mettle to pay the price of breaking the rules of a society eaten up by racism. When Rickey presented him with the risks, the player asked, "Do you want a black man who doesn't respond to attacks?" Rickey thought for a moment, and replied, "I want a player who has enough guts not to react to attacks." The player that was needed was one that would demonstrate a virtue that seemed to be on the way to extinction: humility.

Jackie agreed, and on April 15, 1947, he became the first African American to play in the major leagues.



Robinson knew how to handle attacks, and during his career he showed that wisdom and honor accompany the humble. In his first season he was awarded the Rookie of the Year award. Two years later he won the title of Most Valuable Player. In addition, he participated in the World Series six times and was inducted into the Cooperstown Hall of Fame. Solomon was not wrong when he said, *"To receive honors, one must first be humble" (Proverbs 15:33).*

Rabindranath Tagore declared, " We come nearest to the great when we are great in humility." If we really want to go far on this earth, and in the coming one, let us try to put into practice the following counsel from Paul: "Be humble and kind, bear patience, and sooth one another with love" (Ephesians 4:2).

## **6. The warrior fills his mouth with God and his word.**

Let's look at what David says about God in his conversation with Goliath:

1. 45- *"but I come against you in the name of the Lord Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied."*
2. 46- *This day the Lord will deliver you into my hands, and I'll strike you down and cut off your head. This very day I will give the carcasses of the Philistine army to the birds and the wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel.*
3. 47- *All those gathered here will know that it is not by sword or spear that the Lord saves; for the battle is the Lord's, and he will give all of you into our hands."*

David's mouth is full of God, God is mentioned 6 times in their conversation.

## **7. The warrior does not play with evil; he cuts off its head.**

verse 51: *"David ran and stood over him. He took hold of the Philistine's sword and drew it from the sheath. After he killed him, he cut off his head with the sword."*

### **Conclusion:**

**If you're willing to respond to the calling and say, "I WILL GO", What should you do?**

- 1- If you're going to go, make sure you've had an encounter with God**
- 2- If you're going to go, stay humble and obedient to His word.**
- 3- If you're going to go, be sure to keep His commandments.**



- 4- If you're going to go, put all your trust in God.
- 5- If you're going to go, fill your mouth with His promises.
- 6- If you're going to go, leave the fight to Him and hide behind Him.
- 7- If you're going to go, follow His instructions to the T.
- 8- If you're going to go, learn to hear His voice.
- 9- If you're going to go, cut ties with sin and evil.
- 10- If you're going to go, recognize that victory comes from God.
- 11- If you are going to go, do not waste time and get up now and leave it all in His hands.

### **Appeal:**

There are three groups: first are the soldiers, secondly there's the king. Both of those groups in 40 days decided not to get up and they did not put God first and the giant defeated them. And then there's the group that represents David. This group rises up in the name of God and claims the victory.

I pray that we are all found in David's group. God wants us to get up and go out to fulfill His mission, but first what He most desires is for us to have an encounter with him.

Remember: **BEFORE YOU GO, YOU HAVE TO COME TO MEET GOD.**

How many wish to have a real encounter with God that will prepare us to say as David said: your servant will go. If you feel the desire, please stand so I may pray for you.

Tell him today dear Pathfinders:  
Lord I will go!





## Sermon 2: "I Also Say: I Will Go"

### **Scripture Reading:**

**Isaiah 6:8** *"The year of king Uzziah's death, I saw the exalted and sublime Lord sitting on a throne; the orlas of his cloak filled the temple. "*

**Introduction:** Start well, finish better.

Many things can die in our lives in a surprising way such as: dreams, illusions, friendships, jobs, studies, courtships, marriages, among others. These often die without warning and without us being prepared for those deaths, immediately generating in momentary crises and in others deep crises that can threaten our peace of mind and our emotional stability. However, Pathfinders, we all wish to say I will go, I will triumph, but the question is: How will we do it? Let's study two characters who give us a tremendous example: one of them negative and the other positive, of course the negative example is one we should never imitate.

### **Who was Uzziah?**

King Uzziah's life is recounted in 2 Chronicles 26:3-5: *" Uzziah was sixteen years old when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem fifty-two years... He did what was right in the eyes of the Lord, ... He sought God during the days of Zechariah, who instructed him in the fear of God. As long as he sought the Lord, God gave him success. "* The entire nation enjoyed the benefits of this king's success, living years of peace, stability, and material prosperity. The military might of this king was also to be admired. *"Uzziah had a well-trained army, ... In Jerusalem he made devices invented for use on the towers and on the corner defenses so that soldiers could shoot arrows and hurl large stones from the walls. His fame spread far and wide, for he was greatly helped until he became powerful...." (26:11-15).*



King Uzziah's resume is impressive Pathfinders, let's look at some details that made the nation of Judah so confident in his reign.

- He did the right thing before the eyes of God
- He sought God with all his heart
- He fought with the Philistines and defeated them
- His fame and power spread to many places
- Built towers in the desert
- He built many cisterns
- He had an army of extraordinary warriors
- He prepared weaponry for his entire army
- Its engineers made inventor machines

Uzziah reigned for 52 years, and his government had economic stability, peace, and jobs for all. Children, adolescents, youth, adults, and seniors slept peacefully, and possibly some of them forgot that the blessings they received did not come from Uzziah but from God himself.

***Never forget that everything you have had, currently have, and will have comes from God's grace and mercy.***

I want to tell you the story of a 14-year-old teenager named Todd, a young and devout Christian, with many dreams and goals. He loved hiking, mountaineering and water sports. Todd loved his family and the church; he knew that the blessings of his life came from God just like King Uzziah did. But suddenly Todd suffered an accident while water skiing and lost one of his legs. Pathfinders, we can't possibly imagine what that was like unless we have experienced something similar. There is nothing more devastating than when misfortune comes into your life and robs all your hopes and dreams.

Todd had to make one of two decisions for the rest of his life:

He would continue to trust in God, recognizing that God is sovereign and has control. He loves us and that, although we do not understand, we trust that he will fight for us our battles, or, if he went crazy, lost judgment, and abandoned his trust and closeness with God.

### **Development:**

Let's go back to King Uzziah What happened to this king? Answer: He went crazy, the trial went away.

His tragic end appears in 2 Chronicles 26:16 to 21



*<sup>16</sup>But after Uzziah became powerful, his pride led to his downfall. He was unfaithful to the Lord his God and entered the temple of the Lord to burn incense on the altar of incense. <sup>17</sup> Azariah the priest with eighty other courageous priests of the Lord followed him in. <sup>18</sup> They confronted King Uzziah and said, "It is not right for you, Uzziah, to burn incense to the Lord. That is for the priests, the descendants of Aaron, who have been consecrated to burn incense. Leave the sanctuary, for you have been unfaithful; and you will not be honored by the Lord God.*

*<sup>19</sup>Uzziah, who had a censer in his hand ready to burn incense, became angry. While he was raging at the priests in their presence before the incense altar in the Lord's temple, leprosy[c] broke out on his forehead. <sup>20</sup> When Azariah the chief priest and all the other priests looked at him, they saw that he had leprosy on his forehead, so they hurried him out. Indeed, he himself was eager to leave because the Lord had afflicted him.*

*<sup>21</sup>King Uzziah had leprosy until the day he died."*

His downfall can be summed up in a single sentence: he rebelled against the Lord. Success is impossible if the Lord is not with us.

John 15:5 says the following *"I am the vine, you the pámpanos; he who abides in me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for apart from me you can do nothing."*

The saddest thing of all, is that he showed no remorse for what he had done.

None of the inhabitants of Judah under the age of fifty-five knew of a life without King Uzziah. But these happy years of normalcy were over. King Uzziah sinned, was punished with leprosy, and then died. The death of King Uzziah was the beginning of a period of uncertainty and fear. ***"What would happen now? Who would lead the nation? Would the enemies invade?"*** These are some possible questions that would come out of the lips of the inhabitants of Judah. This was a year of national crisis. And in this year of crisis, in "the year king Uzziah died," the Lord God decided to call, cleanse, and send the prophet Isaiah on a great mission.

Our normal days were affected when in December of 2019 in the city of Wuhan, capital of the Hubei province, in the People's Republic of China, cases of a group of sick people with an unknown type of pneumonia, were reported. Most of the affected individuals had ties to workers at the South China Seafood Wholesale Market in Wuhan. The World Health Organization (WHO) recognized it as a pandemic on March 11, 2020, and after these events we have seen a global crisis that has brought pain, despair, anguish, panic, anxiety, depression, and death.

Are the questions that the people of Judah asked not similar to ours in the midst of the pandemic that we have had to live through worldwide?



***What will happen to the pandemic? Will the vaccine be the solution? What will happen to my family?*** Many questions and few human answers.

What can we do amid the crises that ensow our lives at the times we are least waiting for them?

It is one thing for us to experience a crisis that arrives in our lives and quite another is for us to generate it as Uzziah did when we entered the temple of God to offer incense without being a priest.

Let's look at Isaiah's example which can help us get out of the crises we might find ourselves in.

The contrast between Uzziah and the prophet Isaiah is tremendous.

What does Isaiah do amid the crisis? Isaiah could have arranged a delegation to visit neighboring countries to sign peace agreements. There could've been ongoing conversations with the men of military power. He could have tried to create his own political or "religious" party. In the first verse we do not find Isaiah in the palace, nor in the Chamber of Commerce. ***We find Isaiah in the temple. In times of crisis, he sought the Lord.***

The Lord is glad to see him there and rewards him with a very important vision. Not a vision of a future with a thousand years of peace. It is not a vision about the destruction of the enemies of Judah. No, God knew exactly what Isaiah needed dear Pathfinders: ***Isaiah needed an encounter with God.***

A time of relative calm came to an end and now the future looked very uncertain. God's relationship with Isaiah teaches us that He can use those seasons of difficulty and pain. In God's hands times of crisis provide an opportunity for personal growth.

- In times of crisis, seek the Lord as Isaiah. Isaiah 6:1
- In times of crisis, enter His temple, His presence, to have an encounter with Him as Isaiah did: Isaiah 6:1
- In times of crisis, recognize the holiness of God. Isaiah 6:2-4
- In times of crisis, recognize your sin and turn away from evil. Isaiah 6:5
- In times of crisis, let God cleanse you. Isaiah 6:6:7
- In times of crisis, hear the voice of God. Isaiah 1:8
- In times of crisis, obey the voice of God. Isaiah 1:8
- In times of crisis, respond joyfully to His call. Isaiah 1:8
- In times of crisis, look for a way to change

Before crisis hits, we say with joy that our future is in God's hands. But when the crisis hits us, when our savings are stolen, when we lose our job, when our health fails... our future doesn't



look so secure. Maybe it is easier to trust the Lord when we feel strong, secure, and in control of things. The crisis shatters this semblance of security.

**For the Lord it was important for Isaiah to feel his own smallness, and for that to occur, He showed him His greatness. It was important to the Lord that Isaiah felt his sin, for which He showed Him His holiness. The crisis you live through is also an invitation to draw near to the Lord, to look at the Lord, and then to look at yourself. It is an invitation to examine yourself sincerely. In the Lord's hands, crisis is a tool to awaken us from religious routine and monotony; to show us mistakes and lies in our way of thinking; to help us see and correct priorities that do not honor God. Instead of looking for the culprit of your crisis, examine yourself in God's presence.**

- Before we go out for the Lord, we must meet Him and receive His power
- Before we go out for the Lord, we must acknowledge our sins
- Before we go out for the Lord, we must let Him cleanse us
- Before we go out for the Lord, we must give Him the first place in our lives
- Before we go out for the Lord, we need to be purified
- Before we go out for the Lord, we must receive His forgiveness, His presence, and His salvation.

After all this say as Moses said:

Moses said this to the Lord: Exodus 33:15 *"Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here."*

**If we have met God and His presence goes with us, then we can say:**

- I will go because your mercy has reached me
- I will go because you have cleansed me
- I will go because I am forgiven
- I will go because you have saved me
- I will go because you have shown me your greatness
- I will go because I am indebted to you and always will be
- I will go because there is no safer place than to be in your arms
- I will go because I'm committed to you
- I will go because you loved me first and you gave your all for me
- I will go because I love you
- I will go even if the heavens collapse
- I will go no matter what happens



- I will go for I trust you are almighty
- I will go because you promised to be with me always

Someone once pointed out that the Lord never asks Isaiah, "What do you want to do?" The Lord gives him concrete instructions: *"Go and tell this people: 'Be ever hearing, but never understanding; be ever seeing, but never perceiving.'"* (6:9).

The Lord knew very well what the task was. We may have our choices, tastes, and preferences, but when we say to the Lord *"Here am I. Send me,"* we must be open to His answer. Before the crisis hits, you felt somewhat satisfied with your friendships, family, church, studies, work, health, and finances.

### **Conclusion:**

What was the difference between Uzziah and Isaiah? The results of the entrance to the temple in both cases were very different. Uzziah entered and left with physical leprosy and in his heart. Isaiah instead entered the temple and came out purified, my dear Pathfinders.

### ***Never forget dear Pathfinders:***

*"You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast because they trust in you. Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord, the Lord himself, is the Rock eternal."* (Isaiah 26:3,4).

**Appeal:** I want to finish telling you the story of Todd, the teenager who sadly lost a leg. Remember?

Yes, an accident of such magnitude would have been enough to kill anyone's aspirations, but not Todd's, as evidenced by the fact that several years after the accident, he graduated as a psychotherapist and became the clinical director of a support center for people with physical limitations.

His greatest achievement, however, came in the practice of his favorite sport: mountaineering. To demonstrate that trust in God and willpower can overcome the greatest challenges, Todd set out to climb the highest peak in each of the fifty states of the United States of America, in less



than 100 days. He achieved it in 66 days, and with only one leg! The previous record was 101 days.

In his book *On the Edge of the Impossible*, Todd Huston recounts that the greatest challenge he faced was as he ascended McKinley Peak in Alaska, seven thousand feet high, during snowstorms and frequent avalanches. One day, while ascending the McKinley, Todd encountered a group of climbers. "How's that up there?" Todd asked. "There are strong winds and storms," replied one of them. "But did you manage to reach the peak?" —Todd asked. "No, we couldn't," replied the man.

Survival was obviously important for Todd, but he decided to move on. And not only did he complete the ascent to McKinley, but he also became the only person with a disability to win the world record in a sport for athletes without physical limitations. How could Todd accomplish this feat? His answer is direct: "Through faith in God and in the capacities, he has given us, we can overcome any challenge that life presents us with"

Take notes Pathfinders, that a crisis can be what God will use to motivate a serious change in your life. Todd Huston's life changed; Isaiah's life changed. They were never the same person again, but they triumphed, because they sought the Lord.

And I would add, only God can give you the victory forever. Tell him today dear Pathfinder:  
***Lord I will go.***

### **Calling:**

How many wish to have a real encounter with God that will prepared to say as Isaiah said: Here am I. Send me. Please stand if you feel that desire in your heart so I may pray for you right now.



