

Summer Comfort
Summer at Gilead
July 20, 2025

- Theme: Summer often brings changes to the rhythms of life. It's easy to become a bit TOO comfortable and neglect SPIRITUAL matters.
- Joshua 24:15 NLT
- Three questions:
 1. Where has familiarity created COMPLACENCY?
 - ✓ Complacency SLIPS IN when we get too comfortable with where we are.
 - ✓ The ENEMY loves a complacent spirit. - Exodus 16:4-5, 19-20
 2. Where are we COMPARING our present to our past?
 - ✓ COMFORT leads to comparison
 - ✓ Looking back causes one to lose sight of God's promise for the FUTURE - Exodus 16:3
 3. Are we COMPLAINING about things we used to pray for?
 - ✓ From praying to VENTING! - Exodus 17:2-6
- Practical steps:
 1. Grow in the PRESENCE of God
 - ✓ Rest, but don't RETREAT
 2. Grow with the PEOPLE of God
 - ✓ Vacation, but stay connected with your SPIRITUAL family
 3. Grow in the PURPOSES of God
 - ✓ Serve God by serving OTHERS