

# Wild at Heart – Week 11a

## An Adventure To Live

1. How did the story of the Jumping Rock make you feel? Would you have jumped or even allowed others to?

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2. When did you really experience freedom, exhilaration, take a risk, come alive...

*As a boy*

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*As a teen/young man*

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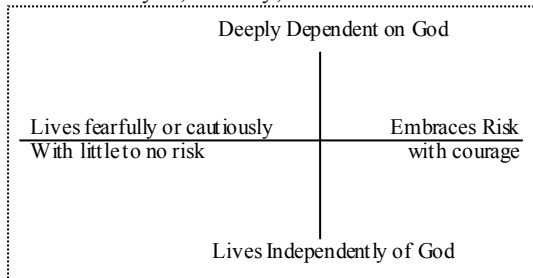
*As a grown man*

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3. Where would you put yourself on the following chart? Where would you, honestly, like to be?



4. Would you say your Christian life has been oriented towards rules, principals & practices or towards relationship with God?

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### FROM THE MAP

Field Notes

“The place that God calls you is the place where your deep gladness and the world’s deep hunger meet.”  
- Fredrick Beuchner

“Don’t ask yourself what the world needs. Ask yourself what makes you come alive and go do that, because what the world needs is people who have come alive.”

### A BREAK IN THE CLOUDS

Not all desires are the same. Not all adventures have the same weight to them.

**Casual Adventures** include the things you’d love to do with a vacation, or a free weekend, or some spare time. The risk involved is minimal to mild—some wasted time, a loss of discretionary income, physical injury perhaps. This sort of adventure stretches you beyond your comfort zone, and that’s a healthy thing to do.

**Critical Adventures** involve the major arenas of your life—your relationships, your work, your church community. The risk here feels huge, sometimes even life-threatening at a soul level. Drawing a line in the sand on an issue at work or in the church, entering into a deep friendship, or moving toward your wife can feel risky indeed. This sort of adventure stretches you to the limit of your personal resources, well beyond what you thought you were able to do. As you stand on the precipice you wonder; *Have I got what it takes*

**Crucial Adventures** also involve the major arenas of your life, only there is one crucial difference—God *has* to show up if it’s going to work out. These most important of all adventures are a direct result of our following God into the unknown, as Peter followed Christ onto the sea, or as Abraham left all he had to go with God into the destiny of his life. You know you can’t succeed in this sort of adventure without the supernatural intervention of God. As you stand on the precipice you wonder; *Has God got what it takes (will He come through)?*