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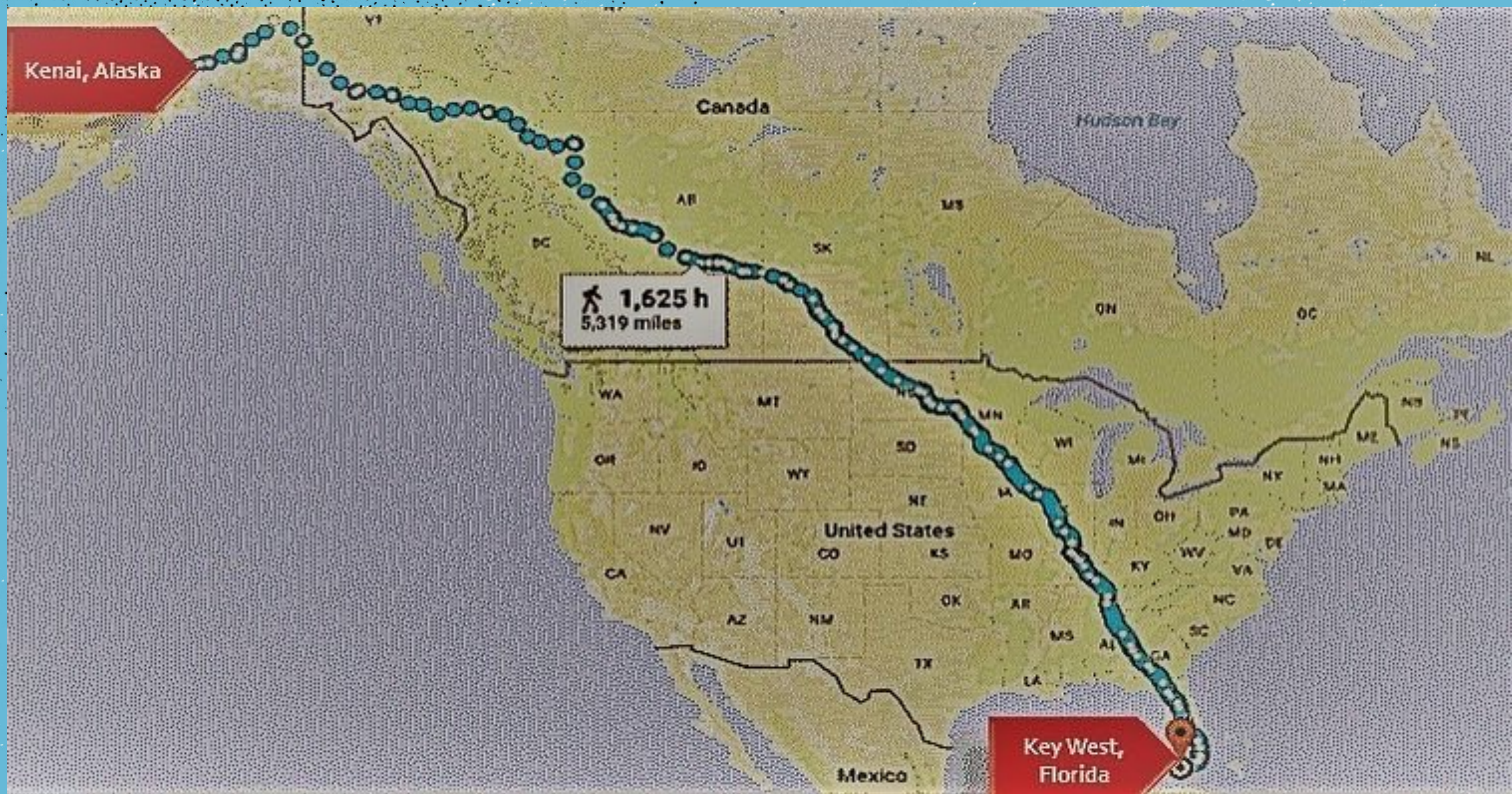
Reluctant Prophet. Relentless God.



Kenai, Alaska

1,625 h
5,319 miles

Key West,
Florida





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“run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith...”

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Jonah 3:1-3

Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time: 2 “Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you.” 3 Jonah obeyed the word of the Lord and went to Nineveh...

Someone Running with God...

Demonstrates Loving Obedience to God

Jonah 1:1-3

The word of the Lord came to Jonah son of Amittai: 2 “Go to the great city of Nineveh and preach against it, because its wickedness has come up before me.” 3 But Jonah ran away from the Lord and headed for Tarshish. He went down to Joppa, where he found a ship bound for that port. After paying the fare, he went aboard and sailed for Tarshish to flee from the Lord.

Reluctant Obedience

**Baxter O'Sullivan
Mini Aussiedoodle
@ 4 Months**



Loving Obedience

Deuteronomy 6:5-6

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. 6 These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts.”

Loving Obedience

Deuteronomy 30

***“And you will make a new start, listening obediently to God, keeping all his commandments that I’m commanding you today. God, your God, will outdo himself in making things go well for you: you’ll have babies, get calves, grow crops, and enjoy an all-around good life.*”**

Loving Obedience

Deuteronomy 30

Yes, God will start enjoying you again, making things go well for you just as he enjoyed doing it for your ancestors.¹⁰ But only if you listen obediently to God, your God, and keep the commandments and regulations written in this Book of Revelation. Nothing halfhearted here; you must return to God, your God, totally, heart and soul, holding nothing back.”

Which Phrase best describes you right now?

“Reluctant Obedience”

or

“Loving Obedience”

Jonah 3:3-5

Now Nineveh was a very large city; it took three days to go through it. 4 Jonah began by going a day's journey into the city, proclaiming, "Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown." 5 The Ninevites believed God. A fast was proclaimed, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth.

Jonah 3:6-7

6 When Jonah's warning reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, took off his royal robes, covered himself with sackcloth and sat down in the dust. 7 This is the proclamation he issued in Nineveh:

Jonah 3:7-9

“By the decree of the king and his nobles: Do not let people or animals, herds or flocks, taste anything; do not let them eat or drink. 8 But let people and animals be covered with sackcloth. Let everyone call urgently on God. Let them give up their evil ways and their violence. 9 Who knows? God may yet relent and with compassion turn from his fierce anger so that we will not perish.”

Jonah 3:10

When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

Someone Running with God...

Calls Lost People Back to God

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Romans 10:9 “If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.”

What is the Gospel?

“The good extravagant earth-shattering news that God loves us even in our sin and sent His Son Jesus to save, heal and deliver us from that sin and show us what it means to be fully alive – to be fully human. His life, death and resurrection change everything: the course of history and you and me.”

Ben Ward

F.O.R.M.U.L.A.

Family - “Do you come from a big family or a little family?” “Where is your family from?”

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Occupation - “What is your work?” “What stage of life are you in?”

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Religious background - “Did you grow up going to Church/Synagogue/Temple/Mosque?”

“What do you believe about God?”

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**Message of the gospel – Share the news of the
gospel good and bad**

F.O.R.M.U.L.A.

Use Love Always

1 Peter 3:15 - *“But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect”*

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What is repentance?

“Repentance- Is killing the habits of your heart that are killing you without killing yourself in the process.”

Tim Keller

What is Sin?

1 John 3:4 “Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness.”

1 John 1:8 “If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.”

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and Calls lost people back to God**

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