



Table Group Weekly Experience

January 10, 2021

Mixer

Which would you choose: You're stuck in wet jeans for the day OR You're stuck in a wet turtleneck sweater for the day?

'Neighborly' - Daily Devotional

Will be back next week with Pastor Jared, Pastor Harry and Pastor Ken!

Sermon Notes - More Than Conquerors

Part 1 - Pastor Jared Herd

Scripture: Romans 8:1-2, 31-37; Psalm 44:11-12, 17, 22; 2 Corinthians 4:17

As we begin a new series, let's make a plan for the battlefield - how will we move from just being conquerors to being *more* than conquerors in 2021?

1. What did you learn about Fixed Mindset ("This is never going to change.") vs Growth Mindset ("I love challenges/keep on learning.")? Pastor Jared brought us to Psalm 44 - a psalm of disorientation. The psalmist begins with praising God and then turns to venting frustrations with God. Talk about the fixed mindset of verses 17-22. In your dissatisfactions or disappointments, what has been a fixed mindset for you and how did you, or would you, turn it to a growth mindset?
2. In C.S. Lewis' *The Screwtape Letters*, two demons are discussing how to crush the soul of a human being. Why did Pastor Jared bring this point into our discussion this week? What would they be scheming against you - what is crushing you?
3. Our main scripture passage for this series is Romans 8. Why did Pastor Jared refer to it as an anchor to the New Testament and what Jesus has done? Think about God's courtroom: God as the Judge, and you always in the defendant's seat. What would you expect to happen, considering your seat? Where would you place the demons mentioned earlier, and where would you place Jesus? How does Verse 1 turn that courtroom drama upside down?

4. "God glorifies what He justifies." What does this mean? What does our message this week tell you about God and you? What would it take to believe that God is for you and not against you?

Live It Out

Here are some spiritual rhythm ideas for you:

- **Goodbook** begins an all new study *HIS-Story - the Bible in 18 Weeks* with Dr Mark Strauss and Pastor Ken on Sunday January 17. This study is available online/on-demand on our website at thechurchrb.org/Goodbook. Look for study questions here to go deeper with your Table Group or for independent study starting next week.
- **Good Neighbor Day | Saturday, February 6** at The Church at RB. Bring your group or your family together for socially distant service projects in our church parking lot.
- **Church in the Park** - Sundays at Kit Carson Park in Escondido, 8:30am & 10am. This is a great way to connect with your other group members, outdoors and socially distant! Here's a note from someone who's Table Group has been a lifeline:
"I just joined my table group in 2020. They welcomed me from the first day and I am comforted by the sharing of life stories and their deep faith in God. We are all the same, and I don't feel as alone as I did. They have helped me to know the power of God's grace over me and my mistakes." - Geert

Pray

"LORD, I am ready to step into new realities in 2021 with You! I believe that You are with me and that You love me and are for me. I am more than a conqueror and You have said that over me. Take what is crushing me and make me a 'Super Conqueror', making my enemies go to work for You through me and with me. In Jesus' name. Amen.