



Table Group Weekly Experience

January 17, 2021

Mixer

Is there a particular tradition or special something that you feel captures what's unique about your family of origin?

'Neighborly' - Daily Devotional

1. In Pastor Harry's 1/12/21 entry, *Walk On*, he shares an illustration of his grandson transitioning from crawling to walking and his perseverance: "... there's a Voice, deep inside this little guy, that's whispering to him, 'You were born to walk...through it all...no matter how steep it is...no matter how uneven it is...no matter how difficult it is...no matter how many times...'" What is that Voice saying to you when you want to quit?
2. Have you ever given any thought that since God knew you before you were born, He planned for your arrival at a certain place and time in history? What were you uniquely created for to bring to 2021, in your family, your church, your work, your relationships, your world?

Sermon Notes - More Than Conquerors

Part 2 - Pastor Jared Herd

Scripture: Romans 8:5, 9, 10, 11, 13, 17, 31

What IF?

1. What is an "IF Only" that you are spending way too much output energy on? What is living under the weight of it doing in your present and your future life?
2. Why do we cling to the "IF Only" so tightly? Why does the "What IF" scare you? How can Romans 8:9a become a confidence shifter for you? (hint: the NIV translation has the word "however"; NLT has the word "But")

3. If you can step into the "What IF" mindset, how could this redefine how you step into each day? (How you treat the people around you, navigate what is happening in your world, etc?) What do you pull from Romans 8 that will help you?
4. Make an "IF Only" list, and beside it, rewrite it as a "What IF". What begins to happen in you? What is the key from Romans 8 that is that "1% tweak" that gives you the courage to step out as *more than a conqueror*?

Go Deeper

This week, Dr. Mark Strauss and Pastor Ken Ingold began a new study called: *HIS-Story - the Bible in 18 Weeks*. This study is available online/on-demand on our website at thechurchrb.org/Goodbook. Here are the study questions for Week 1: Beginnings: Creation to the Tower of Babel; Genesis 1-11

1. What are the central themes of the Creation account in Genesis 1-2? What do we learn about the nature of God? About the status of human beings?
2. What would you say is the overall theme of the Primeval History of Genesis 1-11? What does this teach us about human beings? About God's grace?
3. What does the Fall teach us about the origin of evil, sin, disease and death? Who was responsible for this? How does this help to answer the questions of the "Problem of Evil" (how a good and all-powerful God can allow evil in the world)?
4. In what sense is the story of the Tower of Babel about *both* God's judgment and His grace?

SERVE

Good Neighbor Day is Saturday, February 6! Sign up with your group or your family online or in the church center app.

Pray

LORD, help me to believe that Your promises are true for me. That when I step into _____, You are for me and put a power within me that can make a difference. God, I don't want to live in the regret of _____ anymore, and I want to step into a possibility mindset of the future You see for me. I open up to You - be present and active in me. Make me a "What IF" person in the lives of my friends and family. In Jesus' name. Amen.