



more

Guide





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EPHESIANS 3:20

# More

*More* is a church-wide journey that will deepen your faith in Christ and teach you how to hear the voice of God as you move into the “MORE” that God has for you and our church. This journey includes a six-week message series, small group experience, and daily devotionals. No matter where you are in your walk with Christ, there is always MORE. Together, we will grow in our relationship with God and build our faith as we believe for God to do exceedingly and abundantly more than we can imagine!





**GOD HAS**  
*more*



# spiritual journey

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When we set out to start a multiethnic, multicultural, multigenerational church back in May 2002, at the AMC Theatre, with 65 people in attendance, we never imagined just how many lives would be impacted. Today, People's Church has grown to be a multi-campus church with campuses in both Oklahoma and Indiana that continues to grow and see lives changed every week, all because of people who faithfully pray, serve, give and step out in bold faith.

People's Church, we are entering a new and exciting season called, "MORE"! "MORE" is a church-wide spiritual journey and we want every person who calls People's Church home to join us as we take new territory to reach new people with the hope of Jesus. We bought 23 acres of land in Edmond, OK in 2021, and then we started the Edmond Campus at Santa Fe High School in September 2023 with hundreds in attendance. In June 2024, we purchased our Indianapolis Campus their first permanent home, a 58,000-square-foot building that sits on 5 acres. And now is the time for us to move forward to build the Edmond Campus their first permanent home on the 23 acres of land and to renovate our newly purchased Indy building so we can see even "MORE" changed lives! Everyone who calls People's Church home has a pivotal role to play in the vision and future of seeing "MORE" changed lives and we are thrilled to begin this journey together!

This guide is filled with the heart of this spiritual journey that will deepen your faith in Christ and help you hear the voice of God as we move into the "MORE" that God has for us. Church family, please do not undervalue your importance in this journey. You are a vital part of our church and this spiritual journey. So we invite you to take some time to pray and read through each page to see all that is to come in this season of "MORE" for our church and for you personally. We would not be where we are today without each of you. We are so grateful for where God has led us, and we are excited about the even "MORE" that God will continue to do through us at People's Church. It's all about "MORE" changed lives!

*Ephesians 3:20 "Now to Him who is able to do far MORE abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us," (NASB)*

God Has Even MORE,

*Pastors Herbert & Tiffany Cooper*



Pastors Herbert and Tiffany Cooper



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# How to Use This Guide



*The MORE guide has everything you need to go on the journey.*

## **WEEKLY MESSAGE NOTES**

Each week begins with blank pages to take notes during the weekend messages. Use this space to jot down anything God speaks to you during the message series.

## **SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS**

Next, you will find the key thought, key verse, and discussion questions you will use at your small group during the week. Be sure to bring your guide with you to your small group.

## **DAILY DEVOTIONAL**

Finally, you will find the devotional we will read together as a church beginning September 16. Starting on week two, the devotional takes place five days a week, Monday through Friday. Spend a few minutes reflecting on the questions each day. In addition, there is a place where you can write down anything God is speaking to you.

# Stories of Changed Lives

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Throughout the guide, you will find stories of changed lives from our People's Church family. These stories are a reminder of the incredible things God is continually doing through our church to see more changed lives. We hope these stories inspire and encourage you as you go on this journey with us!

## SHARE YOUR STORY!

Be sure to let us know what God speaks to you during More. Share your thoughts and stories with us at [peoples.church/mystory](https://peoples.church/mystory).





It's all about *more* changed lives!



**In 2023  
we saw...**

**2,722**  
next steps taken by  
people in Growth Track

**994**  
people publicly display  
their faith through water  
baptism



**2,044**  
people serve on our  
Dream Team

**754**  
kids on average  
learned about Jesus  
in our weekly PC Kids  
environments



**10,303**  
adults, kids and  
students say yes to  
Jesus across all our  
campuses



# We love the Next Gen!

In 2024...

**850**

kids on average are learning about Jesus in our weekly PC Kids environments



**300**

students on average are encountering Jesus weekly at Epic Student Ministries



**446**

students and leaders attended Epic Youth Camp



## As of July, 2024,

we've already seen 491 people get water baptized and are on track to baptize over 1,000 people in water this year. After 20 years, most churches begin to see a slow decline. At 22 years in, People's Church is having its best year ever! We are growing and seeing more lives changed than ever before! Our best years are still ahead of us!

**THE BEST IS YET TO COME!**



# Project Overview



## Edmond Campus

Our Edmond Campus is only one year old and is already seeing 400 to 500 people worshipping on Sundays in a temporary location at Edmond Santa Fe High School, and we know that this is just the beginning. Every time we have moved from a mobile location to a permanent home, we have experienced explosive growth. We can't wait for the Edmond Campus to move into a permanent home so that many more lives can experience the life changing power of Jesus!

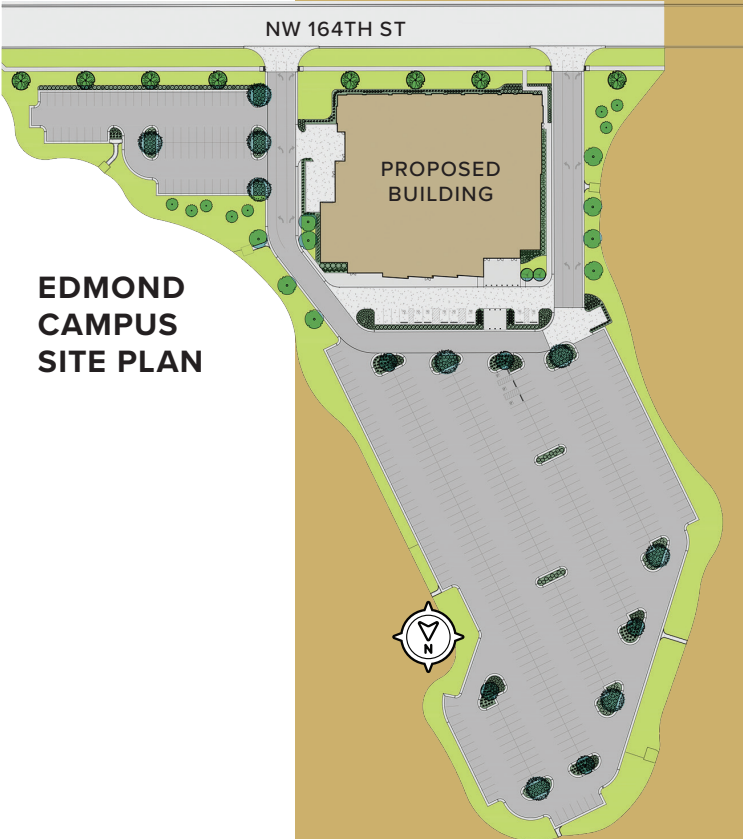
The Edmond Campus will be a brand-new facility on our 23 acres of land right off of 164th St. This will be a prime location, highly visible and accessible for people to easily find their way to park, walk in, and feel at ease in a spacious lobby designed for people to gather and build relationships. The parking lot will include 450 paved parking spaces leading to the 45,000 square foot facility that includes a brand-new cafe, state-of-the-art auditorium with approximately 1,000 seats, high-quality AVL equipment for an optimal worship experience, and a highly secure PC Kids environment with intentionally designed, age-specific classrooms. We will also have our Wednesday night youth service in this incredible new building! This brand-new facility will expand the reach of the Edmond Campus exponentially!

MORE begins in September 2024 with the need of raising \$20M to fund the project. Our goal is to begin worshipping in the new facility 24 months after breaking ground. Although our goal would be to build this facility debt free, we do have a lender secured.

The Edmond Campus will pave the way for many more changed lives as we know God has so much MORE in store for People's Church! Every time we've added seats, God has added souls! It's never been about us. It has always been about the people who are not here yet.



CONCEPTUAL RENDERING



EDMOND  
CAMPUS  
SITE PLAN



# Auditorium



**AUDITORIUM SEATING**



**AUDITORIUM STAGE VIEW**

# Gathering Space



# Café



# PC Kids Check-in





# Your Opportunity

## OKLAHOMA CITY METRO CAMPUSES

**T**he MORE spiritual journey is a 3 year campaign designed to impact our region for Christ. We realize this is a God-sized task far beyond the ability of any one person. Reaching our need of \$20 million will take sacrifices from every single person who calls People's Church home.

People's Church is what it is today because someone before you gave sacrificially. Someone saw with eyes of faith the lives that would be changed at your campus before you even walked through the door. Every Sunday, you get to enjoy the benefits and blessings of a church home because of someone's sacrificial giving. Now everyone at our Oklahoma campuses has the opportunity to pave the way for someone else to experience life change. **We are asking all of our Oklahoma campuses to give toward the Edmond building to collectively raise \$20M over the next three years.**

At People's Church, we always say the same thing at the end of every service - "We're Family!" Our family isn't made of one or two people but thousands of people who call People's Church home. As a church family, it will take each of us prayerfully asking what God wants us to give over and above our normal tithes and offerings in order to accomplish this goal.

As you ask God to speak to you, you can be sure your next step will require faith. But you will never regret trusting God and obeying His voice. Think about this: people that you haven't yet met are going to give their lives to Christ and spend eternity in heaven because of your faith in this season. We are all in a new season and on a new journey of stepping out in faith together, just like those of us who started out together in the AMC Theatre days. As we step out together, we are going to see God do MORE at People's Church!

**EDMOND PROJECT COST: \$20M** *(approx.)*

**CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE: 24-36 months** *(approx.)*

*All giving to MORE from Oklahoma campuses over and above your normal giving will go toward the Edmond project and all giving to MORE from the Indianapolis Campus over and above your normal giving will go toward the Indianapolis project.*

# OKC Metro Campuses Giving Chart

THIS WORKSHEET SHOWS THE IMPACT YOUR GIFT CAN HAVE OVER 3 YEARS

TOTAL GIFT	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	WEEKLY
<b>\$1,000,000</b>	\$333,333	\$27,778	\$6,410
<b>\$750,000</b>	\$250,000	\$20,833	\$4,808
<b>\$500,000</b>	\$166,667	\$13,889	\$3,205
<b>\$250,000</b>	\$83,333	\$6,944	\$1,603
<b>\$100,000</b>	\$33,333	\$2,778	\$641
<b>\$75,000</b>	\$25,000	\$2,083	\$481
<b>\$50,000</b>	\$16,667	\$1,389	\$321
<b>\$25,000</b>	\$8,333	\$694	\$160
<b>\$10,000</b>	\$3,333	\$278	\$64
<b>\$5,000</b>	\$1,667	\$139	\$32
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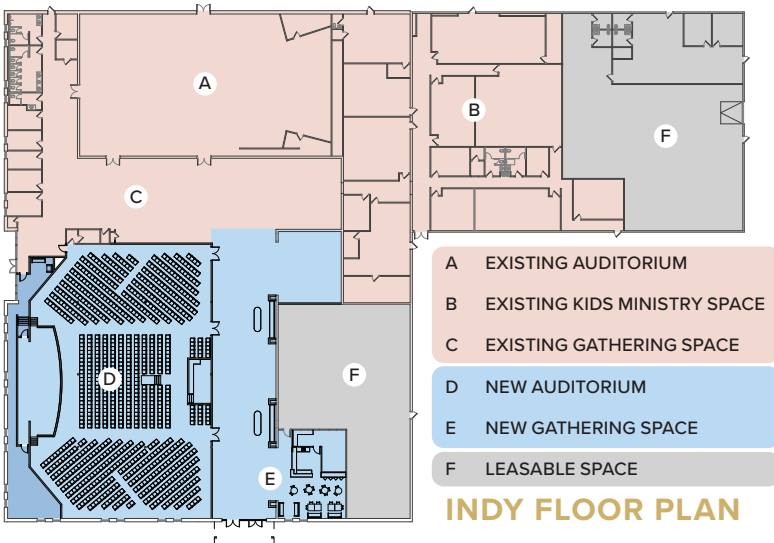
## Indianapolis Campus

God is working in and through People's Church Indianapolis! We are seeing 1,000 people worshipping on Sundays and so many lives are being changed. God has done incredible things already and we know it's just the beginning! Because of how God is moving, our Indianapolis Campus is quickly outgrowing their current space and we need to create room for many more people to find hope in Christ through our People's Church Indianapolis Campus.

Our goal is to expand our current Indianapolis Campus from 30,000 to 45,000 square feet with a brand new entrance conveniently located near

the main parking lot; additional prime parking spaces for new families; a newly-renovated, state-of-the-art auditorium with approximately 900 seats; high-quality AVL equipment for an optimal worship experience; the expansion of the PC Kids environment including a new check-in area; a designated Next Gen space for students; updated restrooms; and a spacious lobby with a café designed for people to gather and build relationships.

God has so much MORE for Indianapolis and this expanded space will allow more people to Know God, Grow in God, Discover Their Purpose and Make a Difference! Every time we've added seats, God has added souls! It's never been about us. It has always been about the people who are not here yet.



INDY FLOOR PLAN

# New Auditorium



CONCEPTUAL RENDERING

# Gathering Space



CONCEPTUAL RENDERING

# New PC Kids Check-in



CONCEPTUAL RENDERING



# Your Opportunity

## INDIANAPOLIS CAMPUS

People's Church is what it is today because someone before you gave sacrificially. Someone saw with eyes of faith the lives that would be changed at our Indy Campus before you even walked through the door. Every Sunday, you get to enjoy the benefits and blessings because of someone's sacrificial giving. Now we need everyone who calls People's Church Indy their church home to pave the way for someone else to experience life change. We are asking everyone at our Indianapolis Campus to give toward the Indy building's project cost of \$3M over the next three years. Our goal is to begin worshiping in the renovated building 12 months after renovations begin. Our goal is to do the renovations debt free. If necessary, we do have a lender secured.

People's Church Indy isn't made of one or two people, but a couple thousand people who make up what we say at the end of every service - "We're Family!" As a church family, it will take each of us prayerfully deciding in our hearts what God wants us to give over and above our normal tithes and offerings in order to accomplish this goal.

As you ask God to speak to you, you can be sure your next step will require faith. But you will never regret trusting God and obeying His voice. Think about this: people that you haven't yet met are going to give their lives to Christ and spend eternity in heaven because of your faith in this season. Just like we started out together back in the day at Fall Creek Valley Middle School, we are going all in on this journey together. And as we step out together, we are going to see God do MORE at People's Church!

**INDY CAMPUS PROJECT COST:** \$3M (approx.)

**CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE:** 12 months (approx.)

*All giving to MORE from the Indianapolis Campus over and above your normal giving will go toward the Indianapolis project and all giving to MORE from Oklahoma campuses over and above your normal giving will go toward the Edmond project.*

# Indy Giving Chart

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# More Space To See More Changed Lives

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# Key Dates & Events

SEPT 8

**MORE SERIES INTRODUCTION WEEK 1**  
+ SMALL GROUPS KICK-OFF

SEPT 15

**MORE SERIES WEEK 2**  
+ PRAYER SERVICE AT EDMOND LAND & INDY BUILDING

SEPT 22

**MORE SERIES WEEK 3**

SEPT 29

**MORE SERIES WEEK 4**  
+ MORE LEADERSHIP COMMITMENT EVENT

OCT 6

**MORE SERIES WEEK 5**  
+ CELEBRATION COMMITMENT SUNDAY

OCT 13

**MORE SERIES WEEK 6**

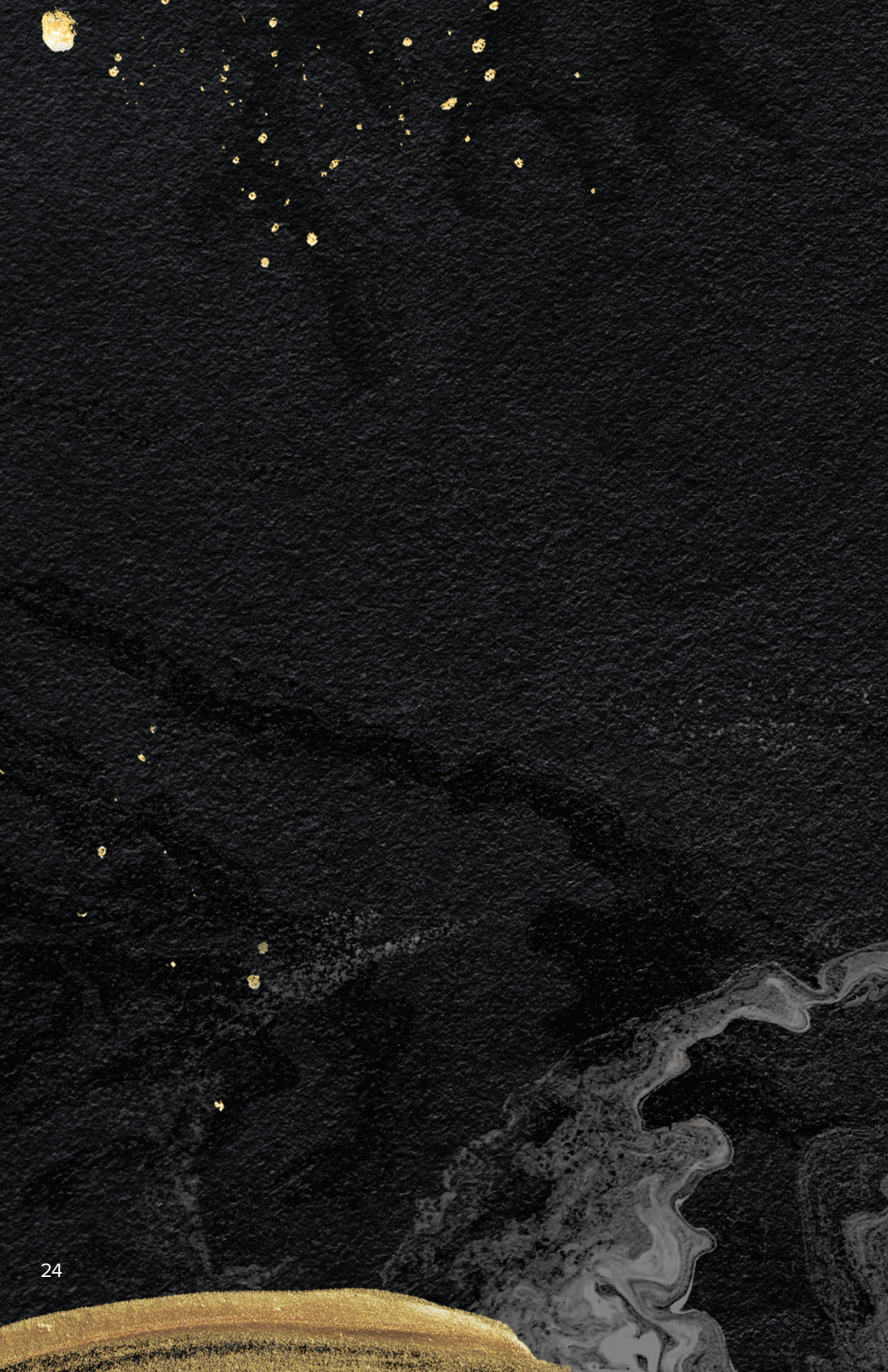
OCT 13-DEC 31

**MIRACLE OFFERING**

# Campaign Needs

## WE NEED EVERYONE ON THE JOURNEY

- Everyone attending Sunday services September 8 - October 13
- Everyone attending a MORE small group
- Everyone in the OKC Metro making a 3-year faith commitment to meet the \$20M need in Edmond
- Everyone in Indy making a 3-year faith commitment to meet the \$3M need in Indy
- Everyone giving your best, sacrificial miracle offering toward your 3-year commitment from October 13 through December 31, 2024 so we can begin construction at Edmond and renovations in Indy.
- Our end-of-the-year miracle offering goal is 2 million dollars



# Week One



## INTRODUCTION







# small group guide

## KEY VERSE

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*Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us...*

**EPHESIANS 3:20 (NASB)**

## WARM UP

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When you hear the word “journey,” what is the first thought that comes to mind? What is the best journey you have ever been on up until this moment in time?

## KEY THOUGHT

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We are about to start a spiritual journey together. Today, we will hear from Pastor Herbert on what this means and how it will impact us as individuals, our families, and us as a spiritual family.



Get resources for your MORE journey, including small group videos with Pastor Herbert, at [peoples.church/more](https://peoples.church/more)



## *DISCUSSION QUESTIONS*

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1. Have you ever felt like God was taking you on a spiritual journey? What was the fruit of that season in your life?
2. What are you looking to receive from God as we say yes to this new spiritual journey He wants to take us on?
3. If you could have MORE in your walk with God, what would that look like?
4. Do you struggle in the area of faith when God is bringing you into the unknown?
5. Are you willing to put yourself into uncomfortable, unfamiliar territory?
6. If you could rate your faith on a level from 1-10, 10 being great faith, what would your rating be?
7. If you could get anything out of this small group, what would it be?
8. How can your small group be praying for you as we begin this journey?

## *APPLICATION QUESTION*

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In what area of your life do you need your faith to grow?



# Julian's Story

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After his father and sister were killed by a drunk driver, Julian lived on the street as a daily addict for three years of his life. “There wasn’t any peace when I lived in that part of my life, I was always in my own head and I was always alone. I just went from one drug to the next trying to fill the hole that I had in me. I’m a third generation alcohol addict.” But despite his family history and current situation, he was determined to make things right. God had more for Julian’s life!

The first place he ever read the Bible from cover to cover was in county jail. “I guess that would be my lowest moment. Trying to find an answer.” There were two things he said he was going to do when he got out: find a job and go to the first church he found. “And I was going to keep going until things got better.” After he

was released, Julian’s girlfriend invited him to People’s Church, where he sat up front and later decided to attend Growth Track.



*Watch video testimonies and get resources for your MORE journey at [peoples.church/more](https://peoples.church/more)*

Julian decided this would be his new church home. “It was just an incredible place where people first go when they make that decision that they want to do something better with their lives. The more effort that I put out to help other people in their situation, the easier my situations became. You get there and you love

other people. Pains go away. Things that are broken, heal.” Julian attends the Edmond Campus at Santa Fe High School where he serves on the Set-Up and Reset Dream Teams. His life has changed dramatically. “I’m married, I have a wonderful wife, I get to see my kids every day. I couldn’t have asked for the life that I have now.”



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# Week Two

LIVING GOD'S WAY







# small group guide

## KEY VERSE

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*Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.*

**ROMANS 12:1-2 (NIV)**

## KEY THOUGHT

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Living God's way is a life of surrender.



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## *DISCUSSION QUESTIONS*

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1. When is the last time you did something crazy for God?  
What was it?
2. If you have never stepped out and done something crazy for God, why is that?
3. According to Romans 12:1, how is surrender tied to worship?
4. According to Romans 12:2, how is surrender tied to understanding God's will?
5. Does living God's way always require surrender? Explain.
6. Is surrendering everything to God difficult or easy? Does it make life difficult or easy?
7. When God asks you to surrender, He always has your best interest in mind. How does that help you trust Him more?
8. Have you ever had a true "surrender" moment with God?  
Tell us about it.

## *APPLICATION QUESTION*

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Is there a specific area of your life God may be asking you to surrender? What is it?



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SURRENDER

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*Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.*

**ROMANS 12:1 (NIV)**

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Everything with God begins with surrender. Simply put, if you want to live God's way, then you have to embrace a life of surrender. Throughout the Bible, you can find a common theme: the people who lived lives of great purpose and meaning were the ones who chose the life of surrender. They never outgrew that lifestyle.

“Surrender” is not a very exciting word. It feels more like a symbol of defeat, like raising the white flag or giving up. And most of the time, we only surrender when we are forced to. But the interesting thing about God is that He never forces us to surrender. He simply asks, and our response is to yield our lives, willingly, to Him.

Think back on your life for a moment. Have you truly surrendered yourself to Jesus? Not just parts of your life or certain aspects of it, but all of yourself fully surrendered to God. Have you given Him complete control? Make no mistake of it; the journey you are about to go on is a journey of surrender. You can begin that journey right now by saying this simple prayer in your heart:

*God, whatever You want, I will do it. Whatever You say, I will listen. I completely surrender myself to You today and ask You to reveal Yourself to me. Amen.*

WHAT IS GOD SAYING TO ME?

HOW CAN I APPLY IT?

TALK TO GOD ABOUT IT

WHAT IS GOD DOING IN YOUR LIFE THROUGH MORE?  
SHARE YOUR STORY WITH US AT [PEOPLES.CHURCH/MYSTORY](https://PEOPLES.CHURCH/MYSTORY)

Tuesday

RISK IT ALL

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*Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go forth from your country, and from your relatives and from your father's house, to the land which I will show you; and I will make you a great nation."*

**GENESIS 12:1-2A (NASB)**

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Abraham's story paints an incredible picture of how to live a life of surrender. In Genesis 12, God tells Abraham to pack up everything and move hundreds of miles away. But, notice God says, "to the land I will show you." This means Abraham didn't know where he was headed when he left.

Now at this point in his life, Abraham was 75. That is retirement age, not adventure age! But, more than that, Abraham was successful. He was wealthy and had built a nice life for himself. He had servants, livestock, and extended family. Yet, Abraham had to be willing to risk it all to follow God to a land he didn't even know. With no guarantee of safety or success, all Abraham had was God's word.

Just like Abraham, you have probably worked hard to carve out a nice life for yourself and your family. To have your needs met. To be successful. But what if God interrupted your plans and asked you to risk it all—to go on a journey even though you do not know where it will take you? Could you do it? Would you go? The amazing thing about God is that when we surrender ourselves to Him, we always gain more in the end.

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wednesday

RE-SURRENDER

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*Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, whom you love—Isaac—and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you."*

**GENESIS 22:1-2 (NIV)**

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At this point, Abraham has been living on the edge of faith for 25 years. He is well into retirement age when God calls him into his greatest test of faith.

Can you imagine what Abraham must have been feeling as he walked Isaac up that mountain? Can you imagine the turmoil? This was his son, his future, his legacy. This was everything he had sold out for. This was all the years of following God faithfully, and now in an instant, God was asking him to lay it all down, to re-surrender, and start all over.

Here is what we learn from this story: the living God's way is not a moment, it is a lifestyle of surrender. The idea that we can push hard for God for a little bit and then mentally check out and coast—that is not biblical. The mentality of working hard for a while and then retiring to the islands, sipping fruity drinks, and lying on the beach all day long—that is more of the American Dream, not God's Dream for your life.

We never graduate from surrendering to God. He always calls us to greater levels of commitment and trust. What could He be calling you to?

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Thursday

THE BLESSING OF  
SURRENDER

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*This is what the Lord says: Because you have obeyed me and have not withheld even your son, your only son, I swear by my own name that I will certainly bless you. I will multiply your descendants beyond number.*

**GENESIS 22:16-17A (NLT)**

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When Abraham surrendered Isaac, God provided a ram to take his place. Not only did God give Isaac back, but He also pronounced an incredible blessing over Abraham's life. Notice what God says in these verses, "Because you have not withheld your son... I will surely bless you."

There is a principle here: God does not ask us to surrender something to test us but to bless us. If Abraham had withheld Isaac from God, he would have kept his son but forfeited the blessing. But by freely surrendering to God what was dearest to him, Abraham received Isaac plus the blessing. You see, God can't bless what we hold on to with tight fists. But when we freely give, then our hands are open to receive from God freely.

Is there something God may be asking you to surrender? Take comfort in knowing that when you obey God and lay it down, you will find a life, a joy, and a peace so much greater than you could imagine. And it will position you to receive God's greater blessing in return. Only the life of surrender brings the blessing of surrender.

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friday

THE NEXT LEVEL

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*Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God.*

**PSALM 20:7 (NIV)**

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For us to live God's way, we have to trust Him. We have to believe He is for us, and He is not going to hurt us or take advantage of us. But learning to trust God is a process. Here is what that process looks like:

First, *God calls you to do something*. No matter where you are, God will call you to join Him at some new level, and in some new challenge. But that means sacrifice and surrender. So next, *you'll wrestle with God*. "God, was that really You or just the pizza? God, that's crazy! How could You ask me to do that? What will people say?" But what comes next changes everything—you *hear God speak*. You receive revelation. Maybe it is in a prayer time, or perhaps it is through someone else. But it fills you with vision and passion. Then finally, you come back to God, openhanded, and *you re-surrender*.

You never outgrow this process of trust. Spiritual maturity is not skipping a step, it is moving through the steps faster. Remember, whenever you reach re-surrender moments with God, they are actually invitations to join Him at the next level. As you embark on this *MORE* journey, think about where God is trying to take you with Him. Are you ready to go to the next level?

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# Shannon's Story

“At a young age, I started smoking. I would drink with friends because that’s what everyone was doing. I was just trying to find relationships that would validate me. That’s what I was always in search of. And so with that came a lot of hurt, a lot of shame, a lot of guilt. It felt like a God-sized hole was in me. My parents didn’t know how to love properly. I was loved from dysfunction.” Shannon says her lowest moment was when she was abused and she blamed herself. “A lot of my confidence was stripped and it was just like lies from the enemy that I was the reason for this.”

Then one of Shannon’s friends invited her to People’s Church Indianapolis. “I did not know that it was going to change my life.” After attending, she decided to get baptized, and almost immediately after, Shannon said she felt different. “I had this fire in my soul to know Him, to know more of Him, to serve Him. So then I got plugged into Growth Track.” Shannon discovered she had spiritual gifts that could be used to serve others. “My confidence had been stripped from me. I never thought that I could serve in a church. It’s changed my life. It’s given me a heart posture of servitude, and I think that it’s even carried outside of church.”

“For those who don’t have a home life, a family life, you have that with People’s Church. And when I started walking with Jesus, I was just so overwhelmed by the amount of love that I felt. I never felt love like this ever before. I don’t think even my family knew how to love the way that I have been loved by God and by His people.”



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# Week Three

HEARING GOD'S VOICE





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## KEY VERSE

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*My sheep hear my voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand.*

**JOHN 10:27-28 (ESV)**

## KEY THOUGHT

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God is constantly speaking, and the way we show we hear Him is through obedience.





## *DISCUSSION QUESTIONS*

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1. Do you believe God wants to speak to you? Why is that important?
2. Do you ever struggle with hearing God's voice? Why do you think that is?
3. How can you know for sure when God is speaking to you?
4. God speaks to us in multiple ways. Sometimes He speaks through His Word, sometimes He speaks through our relationships, and sometimes He speaks to us directly through the Holy Spirit. Tell us about a time God clearly spoke to you through one of these ways.
5. Which is more difficult: hearing God's voice or obeying what He says? Explain.
6. To hear God speak, we must first predetermine to obey what He says. Why is this important?
7. Why do we need to hear from God as we go on this MORE journey together?
8. Tell us about a time you stepped out to obey God. What was the result?

## *APPLICATION QUESTION*

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Is there something you need to hear from God about right now?  
What is it?

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HEARING GOD

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*My sheep listen to my voice, and I know them, and they follow me; and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of my hand.*

**JOHN 10:27-28 (NASB)**

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God wants to speak to you. Have you ever thought about that? Hearing God is not a privilege reserved just for pastors, religious leaders, or “spiritual people.” The Bible teaches us that God speaks to every Christian. So if you are a Christ-follower, that includes you.

In John 10:27-28, Jesus assures us that He speaks to every one of His followers. That means every Christian can hear God’s voice. If someone says, “God never talks to me,” it just means they probably do not know how to hear God speak. If that is you, if you have never heard God’s voice before, that can change. It all begins with a real relationship with God. Stop for a moment and say this prayer out loud right now:

*Jesus, I want to know You. I want to follow You. I want to hear Your voice. So please reveal Yourself to me more. Amen.*

A simple prayer like that is a great place to start cultivating your relationship with God. You see, this *MORE* journey is not simply about our finances. It is about loving God more, hearing His voice, and following Him. God wants to speak to you. Are you ready to hear?

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GOD SPEAKS

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*And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.*

**GENESIS 1:3 (ESV)**

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God wants to speak to us. However, sometimes we have trouble hearing His voice because we do not really believe He will speak to us. Whether it is a belief that God does not speak to anyone today or that God would not speak to you personally, these beliefs form a barrier that can keep us from hearing from God.

Both mindsets are wrong. At its foundation, Christianity is not a religion; it is a relationship. The basis of any relationship is communication. Do you want to know the good news? God is a communicator! Over and over in the Bible you will find this phrase, "And God said..." From Genesis 1 through Revelation 22, God speaks. And He still speaks to us today.

To hear God's voice, we must believe and embrace the fact that God loves to talk to us. He loves to make His will known to us. Time and again, God is the one who initiates conversations with us. We just have to be willing to listen. Do you believe God wants to speak to you? Do you believe He wants to communicate with you? Whether you have experienced God's voice many times in your life or have never heard Him, the truth is that He speaks. And He wants to speak to you today!

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HOW GOD SPEAKS

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*All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ...*

**2 TIMOTHY 3:16 (NIV)**

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If you want to hear God's voice, here are three ways God speaks to us today:

1. *God speaks through Scripture.* God will never speak something personally to you that contradicts what He has already said in His Word. The great thing about the Bible is that you never have to wonder if it is God or not. It is all God-breathed, but you still have to know what His Word says to learn how to hear Him speak.
2. *God speaks through the Holy Spirit.* One of the Holy Spirit's jobs is to speak to you. His voice could be described as an inner witness that you sense, an impression or a strong recurring thought, a deep calming peace, a genuine excitement, or an internal warning or check in your spirit.
3. *God speaks through the Church.* That is right! God will use the collective wisdom and counsel of the body of Christ to help you discern His voice. Sometimes it can be challenging to know when God is telling you something. This is where His people can help. God wants you to process your thoughts with other believers. And He can speak so powerfully to you through these conversations. He can give you wisdom and direction.

The more time you spend in God's Word, with God's people, and listening to His Spirit, the more you will know His voice.

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THE ROLE OF  
OBEDIENCE

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*Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.*

**JAMES 1:22 (NIV)**

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Have you ever tried giving advice to someone who did not want to listen? Maybe it was a child or a friend, a co-worker or a boss... or a spouse—but we will let that one go! It is not that they could not physically hear you, but you knew they would not listen to what you had to say. So, when you know someone will not listen, does it make you want to talk with them?

In a similar way, why would God speak to us if He knows we will not listen? You will hear God a lot clearer when you predetermine to listen and obey what He says. Think of it like tuning in to your favorite radio station. You have to tune in to the right frequency in order to hear.

What is God's frequency? It is surrender.

When you fully surrender to God, it places you in a position to hear His voice more clearly. That is why we started week one of our journey with surrender. We do not surrender simply because God is good. We surrender because He is God. What He says is absolute for our lives. So right now, determine in your heart that when God speaks to you during this *MORE* journey, no matter what He says, you will obey. And you will be amazed at how much clearer His voice will be.

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OBEYING GOD'S VOICE

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*“Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”*

**JOSHUA 1:9 (NIV)**

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Any time God calls you to take a step of obedience, it is scary at first. But if you fight through the fear and follow God, you will see the miraculous take place. When you obey God, here is what you gain:

1. *You gain God's presence.* In John 14:21, Jesus ties love and obedience together. He says, “He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me, and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him.” (NASB) You do not obey Jesus out of duty or obligation. You obey because you love Him. And His promise is that He will be with you.
2. *You gain generational impact.* When you obey God, the people closest to you will see. Psalm 103:17-18 (NLT) says, “But the love of the Lord remains forever with those who fear him. His salvation extends to the children's children of those who are faithful to his covenant, of those who obey his commandments!”
3. *You gain courage.* Courage is not the absence of fear. Courage is doing what God has called you to do despite fear. Each time you take a step of faith and fight through fear, God proves Himself faithful, and your courage will grow.



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## Dre's Story

**D**re's lowest point was the night he tried to take his own life. "I was a high school teacher. I had a lot of debt. I just felt like, man, you've had your fun. You've been here. Now it's time for you to go. And I remember just crying my eyes out." But when a friend called him in tears that same night, Dre ended up deciding to live and went to help his friend through his own pain. He ended up visiting People's Church Midwest City with his wife. A dream teamer greeted them, showed them where to get coffee, and started introducing them to people at church. Dre thought, "Okay, this is a cool environment." When Pastor Herbert came on the screen, he was talking about shame. "Everything he hit on was everything I was feeling. I got tired of holding on to all of that worry."



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Dre said from his first day at People's Church he felt like he finally belonged somewhere. As he continued growing in his faith, Dre knew God wanted more for his life and wanted to make a public declaration about his decision to follow Christ. "Getting into the water, putting my feet in, it was as though weight was just falling off of me. Before I went down, I closed my eyes as tight as I could, and I didn't take a deep breath or anything. I felt like God washed away my sins and has given me an opportunity to be the man that he needs me to be and the man that I'm destined to become. Every time you choose to walk with Christ, you're choosing better for yourself and you're choosing better for your future." Today, Dre serves on the Production Team at the Oklahoma City Campus, and lives with newfound purpose knowing God has plans for his life.



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# Week Four

PREPARING FOR A MIRACLE

# Message Notes



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## KEY VERSE

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*Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.*

**EPHESIANS 3:20-21 (NASB)**

## KEY THOUGHT

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A biblical miracle happens when there is a need sensed by a group of people, led by God, to respond in faith.



## *DISCUSSION QUESTIONS*

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1. Where are you in the process right now: surrendering to God, hearing His voice, obeying what He says, or believing God to do a miracle through you?
2. Which step in the process is the most difficult or scary?
3. Why do you think God invites us to participate in His miracle process? Why not just do it all Himself?
4. What do you think God may be teaching you through this process?
5. Do we sometimes resist stepping out and participating with God? Why is that?
6. 2 Corinthians 9:10 says that God “supplies seed to the sower.” What does this mean to you? How does it impact your level of generosity?
7. There are three levels of giving: (1) What can I afford? (2) What can I sacrifice? (3) What can God do through me? Discuss the difference between these levels.
8. Have you ever given something beyond what you could afford? If so, what happened as a result?

## *APPLICATION QUESTION*

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In what area of your life do you need a miracle? (Examples: your health, marriage, finances, job, child, etc.)

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YOUR INVITATION

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*When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, “Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?” He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.*

**JOHN 6:5-6 (NIV)**

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The story of the loaves and fish is the only miracle recorded in all four Gospels. The principle of repetition tells us this story stands out. It is significant. Jesus performed the miracle and fed over 5,000 men and their families with only a single, small lunch.

The setting for this miracle is also significant. It began with a large crowd of hungry people. Jesus asked His disciples where they should buy bread to feed them all. This was impossible. He was inviting His disciples into the problem so they would understand the need. The verse says that He did this to test them, for He already knew what He would do.

In the natural, the situation was impossible. Philip responded to Jesus, “It would take more than half a year’s wages to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!” But this is exactly the type of situation that allows God to show off. Luke 18:27 says, “What is impossible with man is possible with God.” When you find yourself in a situation that seems impossible, remember this story. God may be inviting you into a problem He already has a solution for.

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HOW A MIRACLE WORKS

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*But He answered, "You give them something to eat."*

**MARK 6:37 (NIV)**

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There are three ingredients to every miracle in the Bible. First, *there is a need*. Jesus had been teaching all day, and it was getting late. The people were getting hungry and needed to eat. At this time in history, especially in this part of the world, starvation was a real and present threat. So missing a meal was a big deal, and the need was real.

Second, the need is *sensed by a group of people*. The disciples did something right—they brought the need to Jesus! But what is remarkable is that Jesus not only had a solution, but He invited them to take part in the miracle. It is the same for us today. We cannot simply ask God to do miracles without our participation. Like any good father, God wants us to grow as much as He wants to solve our problems. So what He chooses to do time and time again is invite us to be part of the process.

Finally, a group of people *step out in faith regardless of the odds*. Jesus' disciples found the boy with the loaves and fish. His disciples sat everyone down to eat and then picked up the leftover food when everyone was done. They played a part in this miracle. It is the same today. When there is a need sensed by a group of people, who step out in faith, regardless of the odds, God does miracles.



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GIVING UP YOUR  
LUNCH

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*“Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?”*

**JOHN 6:9 (NIV)**

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For God to perform the miracle, there was a boy who had to give up his lunch. Think about it. He was the only person in the crowd who did not need a miracle. He had his lunch. It was everyone else who was hungry!

That is the real challenge. You may be like the boy. You may be comfortable and already have what you need. But God asks you to give it up so He can use it to bless others. It takes a shift in your perspective. You begin to see that you are blessed so that you can be a blessing.

But then there is a second challenge. Not only did the boy have to give up his lunch, but his lunch was so insignificant when compared to the size of the crowd. How could his sacrifice even matter? In the natural, it makes no sense. But Jesus took what little was given and turned it into an abundance. He is the God of “more than enough.” It is the same for us. We give in faith because God asks for it, not because it makes sense. It doesn’t matter how much you have. God is not looking at the size of your bank account. He’s looking at your faith and obedience. And in His hands, He can turn our gifts into an abundance.

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GOD OF MIRACLES

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*He performs wonders that cannot be fathomed, miracles that cannot be counted.*

**JOB 5:9 (NIV)**

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Preparing for a miracle begins with what you believe about God. The pages of the Bible are filled with stories of God’s miraculous power. But sometimes, it is easy to think of those Bible stories simply as “stories”—something that happened a long time ago. We wonder if God does miracles today.

This same doubt existed during Jesus’ earthly ministry. Matthew 13:58 (CSB) tells us that the people from Jesus’ hometown took offense with Him and that “he did not do many miracles there because of their unbelief.” Now, this verse doesn’t mean God is dependent on our faith in order to move. He is God, independent of us. Yet, we cannot ignore the connection between our faith and God’s miracles. The foundation for a miracle is the belief that God performs miracles.

Remember our key verse for the *MORE* journey, Ephesians 3:20 (NASB), “Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think.” As a church, we are believing for God to do an incredible financial miracle on our behalf. But what about you, on a personal level? What need do you have in your life today? Is there something that seems impossible? Bring your need to God. Ask in faith. Believe He will work on your behalf. You may find the God of miracles alive and well today!

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*Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us...*

**EPHESIANS 3:20 (NASB)**

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Is there something in your life so impossible that you can only ask God to do it? Is there something so impossible you can hardly imagine it? Ephesians 3:20 says you serve a God who can meet that need and exceed your wildest imagination. He goes beyond what you can ask or think.

When it comes to what you can give in the *MORE* journey, there are three levels of giving to consider. The first level is *what you can afford*. This is what you can easily give. It is what you can fit into your budget. It is a gift, and it is entirely possible.

The second level of giving is *what you can sacrifice*. This goes a step further. It is no longer safe. At this level, you have to give something up. Maybe it is your morning coffee, a new flat-screen TV, a family vacation, or a house renovation. Whatever it is, it's a sacrifice—but it is possible.

This leads you to the final level of giving, which is *what you can trust God to do through you*. This is the supernatural level. This is the miraculous. This is *MORE* than you can calculate and *MORE* than you can sacrifice. It is something only God can do. How amazing would it be to hear God, step out in faith, and go beyond yourself to experience what only God can do?



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# Aliesha's Story

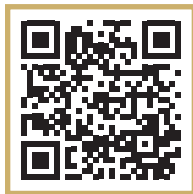
“My husband put a gun up to my head and pulled the trigger, but it didn’t go off. I heard the click, but nothing came out. That’s one of the moments that I thought I was far from God. He wasn’t there. Having a gun to my head, I thought, ‘How could God have some plan for me?’ I didn’t know what it was at the time.” After Aliesha left her abusive relationship, her mom had two strokes. “I gave up everything to help her. When she got evicted, I found her a place and I just packed whatever I had left and came to Edmond.” One morning, while living out of her car, Aliesha decided to go to a church. “I was riding down 15th Street and this young guy was waving. It seemed as if he was waving at me, because I had asked God before I started out that morning where I should go. I did a u-turn. The sign said People’s Church. That was God’s confirmation this is where I needed to be.”

“My first experience at People’s Church, everybody was so friendly and welcoming. I felt right at home. I said, ‘I’m searching for something and I know it’s got to be here. I gotta come back.’ I met some women and they were amazing. I was so embarrassed to be around them because they have their stuff together, and I’m like, look at me, I’m homeless and

nowhere to go. But they didn’t look at me like that, they didn’t judge. I met my friend Stephanie and her husband, Mr. Brandon, and their kids, and when I met them they prayed for me and they treated me like family because I didn’t have any family. I can’t even explain it. I think they gave me life. It made me believe again.”

“I joined that first Newcomer’s Lunch. That was the best day. I took a chance and signed up for Growth Track, and now I serve with my friends on the Dream Team greeting people and serving coffee. I feel like it’s everybody’s job to give back, to give somebody some type of peace, some type of hope, some type of love. Just to know someone cares just to say, ‘hello’ goes a long way.”

If it wasn’t for People’s Church Edmond and the Dream Team member waving from the street, Aliesha doesn’t know where she would be. “I was lost that morning. That guy, that smile, it was like he was honored to be out there to wave at us. If it wasn’t for him out there, I think I would have missed all the blessings I have if I hadn’t turned around. I feel happy. I feel like I’m going somewhere now and it’s not just a dead end. I thank God for People’s Church.”



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# Week Five

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LEAVING A LEGACY







# small group guide

## KEY VERSE

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*You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.*

**2 CORINTHIANS 9:11 (NIV)**

## KEY THOUGHT

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Legacy cannot be contained by buildings—our legacy will be what God does through the lives of people and future generations.



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## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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1. What do you think of when you hear the word “legacy”?
2. Why is intentionality necessary to pass on the right legacy?
3. What personal legacy do you want to pass on to others in your life?
4. What is the spiritual legacy we are passing on to the next generation at People’s Church?
5. What is our *MORE* journey really about? How would you describe what we are doing?
6. According to 2 Corinthians 9:11, why does God enrich and bless us? What is the purpose?
7. How has God already enriched your life and blessed you?
8. In light of God’s blessing, what is a practical way you could be a blessing to others?

## APPLICATION QUESTION

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Who is your “one”—someone in your life who needs Jesus?

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GOD'S VISION

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*Where there is no vision, the people perish...*

**PROVERBS 29:18 (KJV)**

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Vision is a powerful motivator. When we receive and embrace God's vision for our lives, He empowers us to work together toward the fulfillment of that vision. Just imagine what God could do if we tapped into His vision for our lives, church, and community.

Here are three characteristics of a vision from God. First, *God's vision always aligns with His mission and is bigger than you*. If you can accomplish it in your own strength, it is probably not God. Our entire *MORE* journey is a God-size vision only He can do. Second, *God's vision always releases passion in you*. God's vision will not let you go. It draws you in. It captivates you and pulls you toward God's goal for your life.

Finally, *God's vision impacts future generations*. Psalm 127:1 (NKJV) says, "Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it," and verse 3 continues, "Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord." You see, a God-vision is something that can only be accomplished through Him, but it ultimately has to do with family. It leaves a lasting impact that is felt for generations.

What we are building at People's Church is not really about buildings. It is about family. It is about building something beyond ourselves for the next generation. What do you think God's vision for your life looks like? How do you think that vision could impact others?

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YOUR LEGACY

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*Know therefore that the Lord your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments.*

**DEUTERONOMY 7:9 (NIV)**

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What do you think of when you think about leaving a legacy? Some may think of leaving a great business or organization. Some may think of leaving wealth and possessions. Others may think of the family they leave behind or even the way people talk about their character. But in all of these examples, one thing is consistent. A legacy has to do with what you leave behind. It is how people will remember you one day.

This raises an important question: What will your legacy be? You can live for selfish goals or momentary pleasures, or you can decide to leave a spiritual legacy for future generations.

According to Deuteronomy 7:9, your legacy is tied to your relationship with God. Think about that. The legacy you leave for your children and grandchildren flows out of your love for God and your obedience to Him. That is why this *MORE* journey is so important. It is a practical way to get closer to God's heart and step out in obedience. So when you understand and embrace God's vision for your life, you can leave a legacy of righteousness for those who follow you.



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BUILDING GOD'S  
HOUSE

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*Moreover, because I have set my affection on the house of my God, I have given to the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the holy house, my own special treasure of gold and silver.*

**1 CHRONICLES 29:3 (NKJV)**

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In the Old Testament, the temple of God had great significance for Israel. It was the dwelling place of God's presence among His people. In preparing to build the temple, King David made all the necessary preparations and gave extravagantly from his own resources. But notice how he connects his heart to his gift, "Because I have set my affection on the house of my God, I have given to the house of my God."

While some may have given lip service to God's house, David demonstrated his heart by what he gave. Centuries later, Jesus would echo this same idea in Matthew 6:21 (ESV) when He said, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

There are many causes out there and tons of places you can invest your time, talent, and treasure. But none is more powerful than the local church. One of the most amazing things about giving to build God's church is that it will change your heart. If you want to have a bigger heart for God and His kingdom, invest in what He is doing. Where is your heart today?

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Thursday

CONSECRATION

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*...Who then is willing to consecrate himself this day to the Lord? Then the leaders of the fathers' houses, leaders of the tribes of Israel, the captains of thousands and of hundreds, with the officers over the king's work, offered willingly... Then the people rejoiced, for they had offered willingly to the Lord;*

**1 CHRONICLES 29:5-6,9 (NKJV)**

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David gave his wealth to build God's temple. Then the leaders of Israel gave, followed by the people. But there was a process they all went through first—a process of consecration.

The word “consecrate” means “to set apart.” The people first set themselves apart for God. They determined in their hearts that they would belong to God. They would do things His way, not theirs. And it is something they were willing to do. Then the evidence of their consecration was expressed through giving. Notice the verses say they “offered willingly.” Not out of compulsion. Not because they had to. But because they wanted to give to God.

Here is the principle: willful consecration leads to willful giving. You start with surrender, and out of a heart of consecration comes an offering.

Are you willing to be set apart for God? Will you join God on this journey in consecrating your heart, your life, and your finances to Him? Imagine what God could do through you as you give willingly to build His kingdom.

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friday

IF YOU BELIEVE

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*Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?"*

**JOHN 11:40 (NIV)**

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Sometimes it can be challenging to get around our own logical thoughts to make room for God. Jesus faced the same type of skepticism in His ministry. In John 11:40, Jesus spoke these words to Martha after her brother Lazarus had died. He instructed that the tombstone be rolled away, and Mary questioned Jesus' logic. It made no sense. Lazarus had been dead four days. There was an odor! Jesus simply encouraged Martha to believe, and she would see the miracle. And Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead!

To experience God's power in our lives, we must remove any limitations we have placed on Him. In all of our knowledge, we must make room for what is beyond our comprehension. The God who created everything desires nothing more than to show up in your world in miraculous, unexplainable ways, if you believe.

That is what the *MORE* journey is all about. It is about hearing from God, stepping out in faith, and seeing God do a miracle. So take a moment to reflect on our theme verse one more time:

*Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, ...*

**Ephesians 3:20 (NASB)**

What miracle are you believing for God to do in your life, in your family, and in your community today?

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## Gabby's Story

Gabby was a single mother stuck in a toxic relationship that had become mentally, emotionally, and physically abusive. “I felt so far away from God and needed help. I decided I was going to be done with this relationship and turn my life to Christ.” She started attending People’s Church at the recommendation of a friend. “Right away I noticed PC was different from other churches I had attended. There were people who welcomed me from the moment I stepped into the parking lot.” Not wanting to be bound by her past, Gabby signed up to be baptized. But when the time came, she felt that she couldn’t go through with it because of sin in her life. “Ashamed, I did not go forward. I was waiting for service to end so I could sneak out when Pastor Herbert made one last attempt. I know it was God tugging at my heart. He said there was still time, the pool was still available. There were t-shirts, shorts, and even stuff for hair available. It didn’t matter what my past was. It didn’t matter what happened the night before. God wanted me right now, right where I was.”

When Gabby came out of the water, she felt like her life was about to change for the better. “I was able to get help to get out of that relationship. I continued attending church, going to counseling and became active within a local recovery group. I started to grow stronger and walk in God’s truth for my life. In the new year, I was ready to take the next step in my faith by giving back at People’s Church and I joined the Dream Team.” On the Sunday she began serving, she was introduced to the team leader of a PC Kid’s classroom who later became her husband.

“There is still so much more to my story, I can go on about small groups, how the ladies have impacted my life, loved me when I did not love myself. People’s Church has been with me through some of my highest highs and my lowest lows. When I first arrived at PC I was broken, mentally, physically, emotionally, even spiritually. Through the years, God has used People’s Church to be his hands and feet, to meet me right where I am. I learned it’s okay to not be okay, and with time, I learned that I don’t have to stay that way.”



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# Week Six

CELEBRATING THE JOURNEY





# small group guide

## KEY VERSE

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*Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!  
... For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.*

**PSALM 133:1,3B (ESV)**

## KEY THOUGHT

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When God's people step out together in faith and unity, He does miracles.



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## *DISCUSSION QUESTION*

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What's something God has done in your life during our *MORE* journey?

For example: Have you felt challenged to step out in faith? Have you heard God speak to you for the first time? Has He already started to show up in a miraculous way? Has He done a work in your heart as you have surrendered to Him?

monday

THE BLESSING OF UNITY

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*Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in unity! ... For there the Lord commanded the blessing—life forevermore.*

**PSALM 133:1,3 (NASB)**

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One of the incredible distinctions of People’s Church is that we are an “everyone church.” We are not a group where only a few “spiritual people” do all the work. We all pitch in. We all play a part. That includes you! And that is why our *MORE* journey has been so incredible. It is something we have done together. We heard from God. We stepped out in faith. We gave our gifts. And we did it together. Everyone. Not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice.

There is a word that is used in our English language called “synergy.” Synergy is defined as “the cooperation of two or more things to produce a combined effect greater than the sum of the individual parts.” In essence, synergy means we accomplish more together. This is exactly what happens when God’s people come together in unity to achieve God’s vision. Think of it like this:

*Our Unity + God’s Supernatural Power = Miraculous Results*

As we wrap up our journey this week, take some time to reflect on everything God has done over the past six weeks. What has He done in you? What has He done in our church? Reflect on His blessings and His goodness. And remember, this is only the beginning. The best is yet to come!

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Tuesday

TWO OR MORE

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*“For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.”*

**MATTHEW 18:20 (NKJV)**

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As a believer in Christ, God is always with you. The Bible repeatedly teaches that His Spirit dwells in you (Romans 8:11; 1 Corinthians 3:16; 6:19; 2 Corinthians 6:16; Ephesians 5:18; 2 Timothy 1:14, to list just a few). Yet Jesus makes the incredible promise that if two or more gather together in His name, He will be with us.

You see, something special happens when believers come together, unified in the name of Jesus. There is an expression of His presence that is uniquely sensed when we come together. It is why people visit People’s Church and talk about the friendliness or the warmth they feel, or the presence they sense during worship. It is Jesus! When we come together, He is with us in a unique and discernible way.

What’s even more amazing is that in the prior verse, Matthew 18:19 (ESV), Jesus says, “if two of you agree on earth about anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven.” So here is the takeaway: when God’s people gather together in agreement and in His name, He hears us, and He is with us!

Throughout *MORE*, we got to experience what Jesus promised. We joined together in unity, He was with us every step of the way, and He answered our prayers. Is there something amazing God did in your life during our journey together?

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wednesday

SOWING AND  
REAPING

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*...The person who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the person who sows generously will also reap generously.*

**2 CORINTHIANS 9:6 (CSB)**

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Throughout the Bible we find the principle of sowing and reaping. It is a universal truth. And it is something that can work for you or against you, depending on what you do. But Paul takes the principle a step further in 2 Corinthians 9:6. Not only will you reap what you sow, but the more you sow, the more you will reap. Here is what that means: Do you want more of God's blessing on your life? Then sow more seed!

Jesus said something similar in Luke 6:38 (NLT), "Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back."

Listen, the Bible is not just referring to money here. When you give in any area of life, it puts God in a position to bless you for your act of obedience.

Now, we do not give in order to get. Yet, we understand God's principle still works. The more you sow, the more you will reap. And remember: you cannot out-give God. Whenever you give to God, He always repays and blesses you even more in return. So keep your expectation and faith level high. God's blessing is on the way!

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Thursday

SEED FOR THE  
SOWER

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*He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness.*

**2 CORINTHIANS 9:10 (ESV)**

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It is true; you reap what you sow. It is also true, the more you sow, the more you will reap. But have you ever stopped to consider where the seed comes from in the first place? Think about it. Where does the ability to give anything come from? According to 2 Corinthians 9:10, the ability to give comes from God. It is God “who supplies seed to the sower.” So if you want to sow into God’s kingdom, He provides the seed!

Here is what that means for you today. Maybe you went on this *MORE* journey and asked God to speak to you. Perhaps you felt God tell you to give something crazy, something beyond what is even possible. And if so, here is the good news: you do not have to worry. You do not have to wonder where the provision will come from. God will supply the seed. And then He wants to multiply your seed so you can give even more, and in return, He will bless you. It is a beautiful cycle of obedience, provision, and blessing.

So remember, whenever God asks you to give, He is not trying to get something *from* you—He wants to give something *to* you. He will provide the seed. You simply have to obey. And the end result is a harvest of righteousness!

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HEAVEN'S JOY

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*I tell you, in the same way, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who don't need repentance.*

**LUKE 15:7 (CSB)**

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Here we are, at the end of our journey. How does it feel? We hope you have heard from God and been impacted along the way. We hope you have stepped out in faith and believed God for a miracle. And we hope this is only the beginning of an amazing new life—of surrendering, hearing God's voice, stepping out in faith, and seeing Him do miracles. What an incredible way to live!

At the end of it all, we need to remember the reason we went on this journey to begin with. Yes, it was to encounter God. Yes, it was to see Him move. But even more, the reason for our journey was very simple: *To see lost people come to Christ!*

This is God's mission. It has never changed. And neither has the mission of People's Church. We have always been about *More Changed Lives*. Everything you have given is to help make room for more people to come to Christ.

So spend a moment today and ask yourself, "Who is someone I know who still needs Jesus?" Write their name in the space below, and say a prayer for them today. Let's believe God for MORE than we could ask or even imagine!

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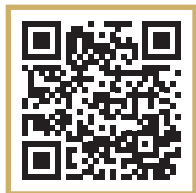


## Crystal's Story

**A**t thirteen, Crystal fell into a downward spiral after her father's death. "Instead of turning to God I tried filling my heart and mind with drugs and alcohol. I couldn't handle life sober. The lifestyle I was living was chaos." After many years of drugs, she was arrested and offered a plea deal to drop all charges if she went through their drug court program. She refused. "I couldn't stop and wasn't willing to, so I declined their offer. I lost everything."

"When I finally came to my senses I got on my hands and knees in that jail cell and just cried and begged for God's grace and mercy and to help me out of that lifestyle I was living. I couldn't keep on living my life like I was – it was life or death for me, literally. I had been on drugs for over eight years at this point and didn't know how to cope with life without it. I started having suicidal thoughts." Crystal's family admitted her into a hospital, and from there, she

was sent to a women's halfway house. "That is where I started to grow my relationship with God more and more and started processing life with Him by my side, but I hadn't fully given my life to Him."



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One day, Crystal saw a sign for Easter at People's Church in Indianapolis and decided to attend. "That's when my life changed forever. I gave my whole self to God." Crystal got baptized with her daughter on the following Mother's Day. "People's Church just felt so welcoming and the people there didn't judge me. I could come as I was. I still had on a GPS

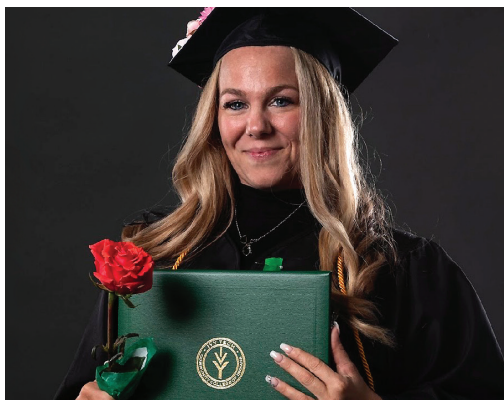
bracelet when I started attending, but nobody ever looked at me differently or even spoke to me differently. They loved me when I didn't even love myself." She decided to dedicate her new baby boy at People's Church and begin serving on the Dream Team whenever she could. "I never could get clean for myself, my daughter, my family,

my education, the courts, nobody. It wasn't until I called on God and asked him to restore me that I was able to put down drugs and never look back. I want to be able to show others there is a way out and his name is Jesus. I can't thank People's Church enough for the profound influence and love the people here have shown me. I wouldn't be where I am today if it wasn't for the leaders and family at this church."



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EPHESIANS 3:20





# GOD HAS *More*

No matter where you are in your walk with Christ, there is MORE. God has more for you, more for your family, and more for our church. God is always working in us, so He can work through us.

This guide is designed to equip you for the journey, show you how to engage your faith in new ways, and help you grow in your relationship with Christ. Together, we will learn to discover and unlock the more God has for us!

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