

WHAT'S NEXT?

Part 3: Power in the Blood

Big Idea

Being attentive to what God reveals not only identifies what's next, it is our path of life. This path leads to the highest level of living, including blessings and joy. How do we find it? We must know God, find freedom, discover our purpose, and make a difference.

Jesus Christ achieved a great victory at the cross, and we can now live in that victory. Eight hundred years before Jesus died on Calvary, the prophet Isaiah saw every detail accomplished. He prophesied freedom over our body, mind, hands, and heart. Isaiah 53:5 says, "But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed." (NIV) Through the cross, we find freedom and power in the blood. Through the whip, we have freedom in the body over every disease. Through the thorns, we have freedom in our mind over worry, confusion, depression, fear, and anxiety. Through the nails, we have freedom in our hands from every transgression past, present, and future. Through the spear, we have freedom in our hearts from every disappointment, heartache, and heartbreak.

"For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." (1 Corinthians 1:18 NIV)

Discussion Questions

- How has Jesus healed you in your body?
- How have you experienced freedom in your mind or in your hands?
- When, if ever, have you experienced freedom in your heart? Is there anything you need freedom from right now?

Prayer Focus

This week, let's pray for the salvation of the lost who attend an Easter service and for God to show us who we can personally invite.

Next Steps

Steps Three and Four of the Growth Track will happen on April 28 at every campus. This is an opportunity to develop as a leader and join the Dream Team at Church of the Highlands. We believe everyone is called to lead others in some particular way, so come and check it out!

Leader Tip

Think of a time when you came to understand that there were things in your life you needed to be free from. Next, try to remember the process God used to give you freedom and share that process with the group.