

My Church _____

Leader Conversation Guide—Pursuing All God Has

Main Idea

This week, Pastor Chris shared Part Two of the “My Church” series to help us to re-center our hearts on the mission and values of Church of the Highlands. This message focused on the defining distinctive that at Highlands, we pursue all that God has for us. Our mission as a church is to bring as many people to Christ as possible, but we believe that salvation is just the beginning of what God has prepared for us. Unfortunately, people are often uninformed, apathetic, or fearful about what going “all in” with God looks like, so they settle for less than God’s best. But we know that everything God has for us is good, because He is good! Let’s each take our next step in pursuing God. When we do, His power and presence will transform our lives!

Make It Practical

- Receive the baptism of salvation. If you haven’t already, surrender your life to God. When you do, God not only offers you Himself, but He also offers you His family, which is the body of Christ.
- Receive water baptism, which is a public declaration of your faith. This is a step of obedience that will allow you to pursue more of what God has for you.
- Receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and experience the God-empowered life He intended for you to live.

“However, as it is written: ‘No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love Him’- but God has revealed it to us by His Spirit.”

1 Corinthians 2:9-10

Talk About It

1. Do you consider yourself uninformed, apathetic, or fearful when it comes to pursuing all God has for you? What steps do you need to take to go all in?
2. As a group, read 1 John 5:8 (NKJV). In Scripture, the Spirit, the water, and the blood bear witness to our salvation. Does your life reflect all three?
3. How has your understanding of the Holy Spirit affected your relationship with Him? As a group, discuss who the Holy Spirit really is. Share examples of how the Holy Spirit has changed your life.

“What we have is not all that He has. God has more for us.”

Prayer

Father, we come to You today wanting everything You have for us. Help us grow in knowledge, seek You with passion, and pursue all You have for us with boldness. We declare that fear will not keep us from the “more” You have for us. You are in control, and we have nothing to fear. Today, we ask for, and receive, the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Help us live the God-empowered life You have always intended for us to live!

Leader Tips

- Be prepared to share how the Holy Spirit has changed your life. Encourage each member to take their next step and pursue all God has for them.

