

AN EVENING OF DINNER, INSPIRATION AND CONNECTION FOR MEN OF ALL AGES

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Kenny Luck, guest speaker

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"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." John 16:33
NIV

Tested by the Tempest...The Storms of Life

- Reveal my **SOURCE OF MY STABILITY**
- Reveal my **RELATIONSHIP TO REALITY**
- Reveal my **PERSPECTIVE ABOUT MY PAIN**

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Storm Story # 1: THE FUGITIVE

While David was at Horesh in the Desert of Ziph, he learned that Saul had come out to take his life. And Saul's son Jonathan went to David at Horesh and helped him find strength in God. "Don't be afraid," he said. "My father Saul will not lay a hand on you. You will be king over Israel, and I will be second to you. Even my father Saul knows this." The two of them made a covenant before the LORD. Then Jonathan went home, but David remained at Horesh. I Samuel 23: 15-18 NIV

Storm Story # 1: THE FUGITIVE

The Storm Checklist...

- We need **PEOPLE TO WALK WITH US**
- We need **POWER TO SUSTAIN US**
- We need **PROMISES TO ASSURE US**
- We need **PERSPECTIVE TO CALM US**

Storm Story # 2: NO QUICK FIX

“Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, “Sit here while I go over there and pray.” He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then he said to them, “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.” Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.”

Matthew 26:36-42 NIV

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Storm Story # 2: NO QUICK FIX

- HONEST with God
- TRUSTING in God
- SURRENDERED to God

“God, for whom and through whom everything was made, chose to bring many children into glory. And it was only right that he should make Jesus, through his suffering, a perfect leader, fit to bring them into their salvation. So now Jesus and the ones he makes holy have the same Father. That is why Jesus is not ashamed to call them his brothers and sisters.” Hebrews 2:10-11 NLT

Head for The Eye=**A PLACE OF CALM IN THE CHAOS**

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“We who have run for our very lives to God have every reason to grab the promised hope with both hands and never let go. It's an unbreakable spiritual lifeline, reaching past all appearances right to the very presence of God where Jesus, running on ahead of us, has taken up his permanent post.” Hebrews 6:18-20 The Message

I SECURE MY CONNECTION TO GOD

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“The way God designed our bodies is a model for understanding our lives together as a church: every part dependent on every other part, the parts we mention and the parts we don't, the parts we see and the parts we don't. If one part hurts, every other part is involved in the hurt, and in the healing. If one part flourishes, every other part enters into the exuberance.” I Corinthians 12:25-26 The Message

I **DEPEND** ON MY SPIRITUAL FAMILY TO GET ME THROUGH

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