

NEW CELEBRATION BIBLE STUDY

The afterlife is cloaked in mystery. What happens moments after we die? What is Heaven really like? What about Hell? And does what we do in this world really matter in the next? Join us as we uncover the life-altering answers to these questions in So You're Dead...Now What?

TUESDAY MORNING 10:30 AM

Goodlette-Arms Apartments Community Center

950 Goodlette-Frank Rd.

WEDNESDAY EVENING 7:00 PM

GIRL SCOUT BUILDING (New Location)

CAMBIER PARK

CELEBRATION MESSAGE SERIES

M.A.S.H. 755



CELEBRATION NOTES:

Part 6: NEVER WASTE YOUR PAIN

HOPE: Hold On Pain Ends

1. IN SHOCK

- Cry out to God- Let others help me

2. IN SORROW

- You go through it, not around it
- List the losses I've never grieved
- Identify what I've really lost
- Ask Jesus to heal my broken heart

3. IN STRUGGLE

- Learn to lament in the Biblical way

Complain: Tell God what I think is unfair or painful

Appeal to God's nature

Remind God of what he has said (promises)

Express my total trust in God

4. IN SURRENDER

1. accept what cannot be changed
2. remember it's not the end of the story
3. take care of yourself
4. refocus on god through worship
5. do something productive
6. keep on loving even in your pain

5. TRANSFORMED BY TROUBLE

In winter, I am not running the show.

In winter, you will be tempted to isolate yourself

In winter, you cling to hope

"We know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them" Romans 8:28-29

1. I remember that God's plan is good.
2. I rejoice and I give thanks.
3. I refuse to give up.

6. PAIN CAN BE USED FOR A GOOD PURPOSE

Your life script....

"Have you gone through all of this for nothing? Is it all really for nothing?" Gal. 3:4

1. I CAN USE MY PAIN TO DRAW CLOSER TO GOD

"We were crushed and overwhelmed...and saw how powerless we were to help ourselves; but that was good, for then we put everything into the hands of God, who alone could save us...and he did help us!" 2 Cor. 1:8-10

"I am glad...not because it hurt you but because the pain turned you to God." 2 Cor. 7:9

2. I CAN USE MY PAIN TO DRAW CLOSER TO OTHERS

“By helping each other with your troubles, you truly obey the law of Christ.” Gal. 6:2

3. I CAN USE MY PAIN TO HELP OTHERS

“God comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. Then, when others are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us. You can be sure that the more we suffer for Christ, the more God will shower us with his comfort through Christ. So when we are weighed down with troubles, it is for your benefit and salvation! For when God comforts us, it is so that we, in turn, can be an encouragement to you. Then you can patiently endure the same things we suffer.”

2 Cor. 1:4-6

4. I CAN USE MY PAIN TO WITNESS TO THE WORLD

“I want you to know, dear brothers and sisters, that everything that has happened to me here has helped to spread the Good News.” Phil. 1:12

“In everything we do we try to show that we are true servants of God. We patiently endure suffering and hardship and trouble of every kind.” 2 Cor. 6:4

HELPING OTHERS