

## **Community Notes**

Pastor Kevin Key

### Message Summary:

Do you have a New Year's resolution? Most people start off with a New Year's resolution but don't see it through. Pastor Kevin shared that 91% fail with their resolutions. Why is that? Why can't most people stay with it? It is for this reason that the new series Fresh Start is so important. By the time we end this series you will hear, discover, learn, and implement biblical habits that will give you the pathway to achieving your goal of a Fresh Start in 2023 and beyond.

Let's begin by reading Luke 5:36-38.

### **Group Discussion:**

- 1. What are some key takeaways from this weekend's message? Why is this so impactful to you?
- 2. So often we find ourselves wanting to change. So, what we eventually try to do is fix everything else and everyone else to help us change our attitudes and character. I think we would all agree that has never produced lasting results. what we need is a change of them mind. <u>Read</u> Luke 5:38.
  - A. Why is it important that God changes the way you think versus yourself?
  - B. Have you made new year's resolutions? If so, how will you achieve them this year?
  - C. If you have not already, think of a spiritual goal for yourself this year and share with the group.
- 3. Pastor Kevin tells us that "<u>Character always overcomes circumstances</u>. " It is character that we need to develop to get through 2023 and he gives 3 reasons on what we can expect from 2023.

The 1<sup>st</sup> expectation we should have is that new problems will require new creativity. Read: **Proverbs** 18:15; Eph. 4:23-24

- A. Name a time that you had to get creative to solve an issue? How did it make you feel?
- B. Are you changing for the better or the worse? Why do you think that is?
- C. If you have some helpful resources share them with the group.
- 4. The 2nd expectation is that new pressures will require new conviction. Pastor Kevin asked the question: Where do you get the strength? Two places: God's presence, God's word. Read: Rom. 12:2; Isa. 40:31; Psalms 19:7; 2 Cor. 1:8-9.
  - A. What area could you spend more time cultivating? What can you give less attention to in order to achieve this goal?



B. How do you get conviction and what does it mean for your life?

# 5. <u>The 3<sup>rd</sup> expectation is that new possibilities will require new courage</u> Read: Hosea 10:12 Isa. 43:18-19; 2 Cor. 5:17

- **A.** What new ground is God wanting you to plow? What is your next step?
- **B.** Are you on the lookout for what God is doing in your life?
- C. Share with the group what you believe God is leading and doing in your life?

#### **Weekly Reflection:**

- 1. Based on how the Spirit has spoken to you this week, what is one action step you want to take this week to align yourself more fully with Scripture?
- 2. How has your time with God, in the Word and in prayer, been this past week?
- 3. What personal spiritual struggle(s) are you facing right now and how will you actively surrender them to God this week? (Marriage, parenting, work, finances, relationships, personal strongholds/sin, etc.)
- 4. What else can we be praying with you about this week?

# **Upcoming Events**

Connect with your Cornerstone Church family.

### **Volunteer for Small Groups**

We are looking for help with the Small Group Kiosk. If you are in a Small Group and are currently not serving, we could use your help and service. For more information reach out to Josh Rhoads at <a href="mailto:jrhoads@cornerstonechurch.co">jrhoads@cornerstonechurch.co</a> Thanks for your help.

#### **Volunteer for Creative Arts**

Are you a camera bug? If so, we need you at Cornerstone. We're looking for volunteers to take pictures and operate video cameras. No experience necessary. For more information contact Sarah Weece at <a href="mailto:sweece@cornerstonechurch.co">sweece@cornerstonechurch.co</a>

### Men's Breakfast January 28th, 2023 @ Cornerstone 8:00 - 10:30am

Be a man! But what does that mean? Whether at church, with our families, or alone, God gives us clear instructions on how we're designed to live. Build friendships with other men at Cornerstone, eat some great food, and discover your calling as a man following Christ. Breakfast will be provided!

Click the link to register <a href="https://cornerstonechurchfl.churchcenter.com/people/forms/474947">https://cornerstonechurchfl.churchcenter.com/people/forms/474947</a>

Series: Fresh Start
December 31st- January 1st 2023



### STEPS Class

Learn more about Cornerstone and your call to ministry! The purpose of this course is to help you understand the heartbeat of Cornerstone. You will learn why Cornerstone exists, our mission, vision, core values, beliefs, structure, membership, and discover your God-given gifts. This course is designed to be completed at your own pace in the comfort of your home, helping us to help you make your next steps toward Jesus. Look out for an email from us to get started!

\*NOTE: Please check your Spam or Promotions folder for the email, and if you do not receive the email, please call our office at (386) 532-5100. We will be happy to help!

Go to our website (https://www.Cornerstonedeltona.com), click on "Connect". Choose "Ministries" from the pull-down menu and then scroll down to "Steps" where you can sign up.