

Community Notes

Pastor: Kevin Key

Message Summary:

Pastor Kevin Key opens today's message with this guiding scripture: Prov. 29:18. He says that without a vision, goal, or target to hit we will perish. He further elaborates on this truth by reminding us that we have freedoms in this country but that we shouldn't use this freedom to do nothing. Rather, we should use our freedom to actually do something. When we don't set goals, based on our vision or dreams, we will spin out of control and the end result is that we will perish. Today we are going to learn six principles for a lasting vision from the blind man who was healed by Jesus in Luke 18:35-43.

Group Discussion:

What are some key takeaways from this weekend's message? Why is this so impactful to you?

Pastor Kevin gives us practical insights from Barnabas, the blind man who Jesus healed, that we can apply to our lives today and begin to see the vision God has for our lives.

1. Believe Jesus can change my situation - Read - 1 Pet. 1:19 & 21: Luke 18:35-38

- A. You've trusted Jesus with your salvation, now do you believe that he can change your situation like he did blind Barnabas? Why or why not?
- B. How can we begin to believe that Jesus can change our situation?

2. You must ignore all the negative voices – Read - Luke 18:39.

A. Barnabas did not care about the voices in the crowd as he shouted for Jesus the Son of David to have mercy on him. As the crowd raised their voices, Barnabas raised his voice all the more. He did not allow the voices of the crowd/people to drown him out. Why do you think it is so easy for us to be deterred by friends, family, and coworkers when we express what God is doing in our life, or what we choose to do with our life?

3. You must listen for God's call- Read Mark 10:49-50

- A. Are taking enough time to be in the presence of God in order to hear his calling for you?
- B. How do you go about hearing from God?

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4. Tell God exactly what you want -Read- Luke 18:40-41

- A. It is so important that we speak to God from the depth of our hearts even though He already knows your heart. Do you feel like you can't tell God the things that only you know?
- B. Tonight, in your time with God, pour out your heart to Him and make your requests known.

5. You receive your vision in faith -Read- Luke 18:42-43; John- 1:16

- A. If you don't have faith, how do you get faith? Or in other words where do you start?
- B. If not by faith, how else would you receive a vision from God?

6. Stick with Jesus on the road He travels - Read - Mark -10:52; Luke 18:43

A. None of us can say that we've arrived, can we? Following Jesus daily is the starting place for any divine vision for our lives. How closely are you following Jesus? If you were following Him in a crowd, where would you be? On the outside? In the middle? Or right next to Him? Once you determine where you are in the crowd, discuss with the group how you plan on moving closer to Jesus?

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

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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 <u>jrhoads@cornerstonechurch.co</u> 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 at sweece@cornerstonechurch.co

<u>STEPS Class</u>

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.

Good Friday // Worship Night April 7, 2023 6:00 - 7:00pm

Good Friday is three days before Easter Sunday to represent the three days between Jesus's death and his resurrection from the dead. Cornerstone's praise and worship teams invites Christians to reflect on the suffering Christ went through for our sake by sacrificing his life for our sins.