

CHANGE UP

Part One of Series: CHANGE UP

Turning Unexpected Changes into Next Level Opportunities

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“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland.” Isaiah 43:18-19 (NIV)

1. AN ATTITUDE THAT ACCEPTS CHANGE

“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past.” Isaiah 43:18 (NIV)

“Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is freedom.” 2 Corinthians 3:7 (NIV)

Our Purpose

To help people experience Christ rather than man's creation of religion, so they can grow strong in Christ and take the Christ experience to the world.

- You can't accept the past until you grieve your losses.

2. A FAITH THAT SEES THE DIVINE OPPORTUNITY

“See, I am doing a new thing! Now It springs up; do you not perceive it?” Isaiah 43:19 (NIV)

- Opportunity for growth

“Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to

grow. So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing.” James 1:2-4 (NLT)

- Opportunity for breakthrough

“And 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 (NLT)

- Opportunity to experience God’s love

“And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God’s love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God’s love. No power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Romans 8:38-39 (NLT)

3. A GOD WHO NEVER CHANGES

- ***“I am the Lord, and do not change.” Malachi 3:6a (NLT)***
- ***“... Behold, I make all things new.” Revelation 21:5 (KJV)***
- ***“He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and will put their trust in the Lord.” Psalm 40:3 (NLV)***