

# IMAGINE MORE: PART 3

UNSTOPPABLE :: WEEK FIVE

# THEY CHOSE CELEBRATION

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THE MOOD OF THE BELIEVERS CREATED AN ATMOSPHERE OF GLADNESS AND JOY. THEY WERE NOT OPERATING FROM GLOOM, COMPULSION OR RELIGIOSITY. THEY WERE JOYFULLY WILLING AND EXCITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS CHURCH.

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"IT WAS NOT A MORBID SENSE OF DUTY OR OBLIGATION WHICH MOTIVATED THE CONDUCT OF THE CHURCH BUT A DEEP SENSE OF GRATITUDE AND OF PRAISE."

- BOB DEFFINBAUGH [BIBLE.ORG](http://BIBLE.ORG)

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"YOU AND I WERE WIRED TO ENJOY GOD. WE WERE WIRED TO EXPRESS EMOTION. IF WE CAN'T DO THAT IN CHURCH, THEN WE'LL DO IT AT ROCK CONCERTS OR SPORTS STADIUMS."

- RICK WARREN

# HOW DO WE EXPERIENCE CHURCH?

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- ▶ Endure or Enjoy
- ▶ Obligation or Opportunity
- ▶ Duty or Delight
- ▶ Got To or Get To

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NOTHING KILLS OUR ENJOYMENT AND PRAISE OF GOD IN CHURCH LIFE FASTER THAN A RELIGIOUS SPIRIT. AND WE HAVE ALL EXPERIENCED IT IN OTHER AREAS OF LIFE!

# OUR STORY OF GOD'S POWER

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IF WE WANT TO GROW A CERTAIN KIND OF  
FRUIT- ENJOYING AND PRAISING GOD  
TOGETHER- WE MUST TEND TO THE ROOT-  
THE POWER OF THE RESURRECTION OF  
JESUS CHRIST!