



The Park Church: Corporate Bible Study

NAILING IT – CHAPTER 5

CRUCIFYING SPEED:

FROM DELIBERATELY FAST TO DELIGHTFULLY SLOW

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Looking Back, Moving Forward

▶ **NAILING IT**

- *WHY SUCCESSFUL LEADERSHIP DEMANDS SUFFERING & SURRENDER*

▶ **The Progression – Chapters 3-9**

- Chapter 4 –Crucifying Ego: From From Self-Centeredness to Divine Love
- *“The Ego is complex and nuanced, but once crucified in Christ, it can be the greatest asset of any leader.”*

-Dr. Nicole Massie Martin

“ Life is fast and getting faster. Leadership is filled with the pressure to speed to the finish and to be first in the field. But the invitation to forsake the pace of the world in exchange for the pace of God’s timing will give us more peace than we could ever imagine in this world. ”

-DR. NICOLE MASSIE MARTIN

Pressure of the Pace:

- ▶ **Beat the competitors/crowd**
 - Be fast and first
- ▶ **Societal pressures**
 - the “Always”
- ▶ **Fear**
 - FOMO (*Fear Of Missing Out*)

“The only way leaders can do this is to pay the price of the fast life by cutting out what the heart needs to get what the heart wants.”

-Dr. Nicole Massie Martin

▶ **What the Heart Needs**

- Margin
- Downtime
- Rest

▶ **Additional Cost**

- Team Confidence
- Accuracy
- Accountability
- Sustainability

The only way to lead in our fast-paced world is to let
“ God keep the clock and adjust our sense of timing to his. When God sets the pace, we can go fast or slow, make quick decisions or take time, knowing that we are exactly where we need to be. This requires that we crucify our sense of speed, often fearful and anxious, to resurrect God’s pace that is divine, deliberate, and usually delayed.”

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It's His Time To Take

▶ **While he waited Jesus is up against (yet unfazed by)**

- Competition

“demanded faster action as spiritualists and mediums of the time advertised rapid results”

- The Market/Brand Consistency

Handle Lazarus' death the same way that he handled others

- Possibility of loosing more disciples

Those watching to see how he responded to those he loved

Jesus' Why

“In this moment Jesus proved, again, that his time involves more factors and variables than we can conceive and brings fruit that makes the delay worth it in the end.”

- Igniting faith in his disciples
- Comforting the grieving
- Prophecy his resurrection
- Weep over death (vs. 11:35)
- Declare God's Glory
- Acknowledge God who Hears
- Raise the long dead
- Cause many others to belief

Crucifying Speed - Benefits

(Pages 100-101)

- ▶ Relinquish our addiction to the face-paced life
- ▶ Confidence to lead teams
- ▶ Live in God's Grace-filled timing (this is what is resurrected)

Your Turn: How to Reset the Clock

(Pages 102-103)

- ▶ Make Room for collective discernment
- ▶ Seek Impact over Impulse
- ▶ Put the right drivers in place
- ▶ Reclaim the sacramental slow
(requires intentionality: examples scheduling “think days”, margin...etc.)
- ▶ Embrace Loss (Matthew 16:26)