

More than FootballLogan Taylor &
UH Rainbow Warrior guests**More than football.****Rooted in Christ.**

Rejoice always, ¹⁷pray continually, ¹⁸give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Joy in trials.

In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. ⁷ These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. 1 Pt. 1:6-7

Living on mission.

And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others. 2 Timothy 2:2

Leveling up.

I can do all this through him who gives me strength. Philippians 4:13

Reason for boldness.

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. Rom. 1:16

Signs of life.**Let's Connect**

- Did you watch the game? Who were you cheering for?

Let's Talk About It

As Christ followers, we are called to represent Jesus on earth. We honor God in our everyday lives as we seek Jesus, surrender to God, and serve others. Sometimes, we can glorify God by trusting Him during challenges. When we experience opposition, God invites us to trust Him and see it as an opportunity to grow our faith and glorify Him.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18; 1 Peter 1:6-7; 2 Timothy 2:2; Philippians 4:13; Romans 1:16; Psalm 46:10

- Which part of the message impacted and challenged you?
- Ready to take the next step in your relationship with God? You can register for **The Purple Book challenge** on the app, starting February 18. You can also sign up for our next **water baptism** on Sunday, February 25.
- Read 1 Thessalonians 5:15-18. What would applying this scripture to your life and everyday circumstances look like?
- Read 1 Peter 1:6-7. How do you usually respond in the face of difficult circumstances? Do you rejoice or complain? Do you see it as an opportunity to build your faith, or do you have a "pity party"? Discuss with your group the necessity of grieving and real suffering, while maintaining faith and hope in God.
- Read Romans 1:16. Logan said that because Christ demonstrated such extravagant love toward him, "why would I not share this with others?" What are some things that make sharing your faith difficult? How does understanding the amazing love of Jesus remove your fear and shame of sharing Christ?
- Read Psalm 46:10. Does this scripture release us from any responsibility on our part? How do you know what is yours to do and what you should give to God and trust Him with?

Take a Step

- What step can you take this week to respond to your circumstances – failures, successes, and disappointments – with faith?

Here's My Prayer

- Lord, thank you for pursuing me and loving me. Help me to trust You more and be led by Your Spirit. May my life – my actions, my words and how I spend my time – reflect that You are my first priority. Heavenly Father, please work through me as I reach out to someone in my life with Your love. In Jesus' name, amen.