

TAKE HOME SHEET



Series: What's Holding You Back
Message: Comfort vs. Calling
Speaker: Rusty Coram
Date: October 27/28, 2018

We are being challenged this week to follow our “calling” from God and be deliberate about loving the people around us. The greatest thing we can ever do is help others discover the love of God through Jesus. Each of us was asked to write down 3 to 5 names of people we will pray for and pursue. As you pray for the people you listed, let the following verses help motivate you to take initiative with them.

As you read and consider these verses, ask God to help you love and care for them like He does.

¹⁶ For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him.

John 3:16-17 (NLT)

³ So Jesus told them this story: ⁴ “If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them gets lost, what will he do? Won’t he leave the ninety-nine others in the wilderness and go to search for the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he will joyfully carry it home on his shoulders. ⁶ When he arrives, he will call together his friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.’ ⁷ In the same way, there is more joy in heaven over one lost sinner who repents and returns to God than over ninety-nine others who are righteous and haven’t strayed away!”

Luke 15:3-7 (NLT)

It is clear that God loves those who are lost and don’t know Him. We have been given the responsibility and privilege of helping them understand who Jesus is and the love He offers.

²² Yes, I try to find common ground with everyone, doing everything I can to save some.

²³ I do everything to spread the Good News and share in its blessings.

1 Corinthians 9:22-23 (NLT)

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

2 Peter 3:9 (NIV)

MESSAGE NOTES



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God provides everything we need to follow Him well.

³ By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know him, the one who called us to himself by means of his marvelous glory and excellence. ⁴ And because of his glory and excellence, he has given us great and precious promises. These are the promises that enable you to share his divine nature and escape the world's corruption caused by human desires. ⁵ In view of all this, make every effort to respond to God's promises. Supplement your faith with a generous provision of moral excellence, and moral excellence with knowledge, ⁶ and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with patient endurance, and patient endurance with godliness, ⁷ and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love for everyone.

2 Peter 1:3-7 (NLT)

A changed and changing life is proof that we have accepted Him.

⁸ The more you grow like this, the more productive and useful you will be in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ But those who fail to develop in this way are shortsighted or blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their old sins. ¹⁰ So, dear brothers and sisters, work hard to prove that you really are among those God has called and chosen. Do these things, and you will never fall away.

2 Peter 1:8-10 (NLT)

Urging others toward Jesus, is an essential part of our "calling".

¹⁷ This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! ¹⁸ And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ. And God has given us this task of reconciling people to him. ¹⁹ For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation.

²⁰ So we are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, "Come back to God!"

²¹ For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ.

2 Corinthians 5:17-21 (NLT)

Go to newhope.org and click on messages to download this week's Take Home Sheet or stop by Guest Services to pick one up.

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

NLT – New Living Translation



As followers of Jesus, or even those just checking things out, it's pretty easy to learn the ropes. Attend church, pray, read the Bible and we're good, right? While those are all very important things, God actually calls us to go deeper. In fact, if we don't, those "good things" will become boring and lifeless. Giving, serving, and forming relationships with other believers changes our lives and helps grow our faith on multiple levels. So why can it be so hard to take that next step? ***What's Holding You Back?*** This week... ***Comfort vs Calling.*** Discouragement robs us of our potential. When we choose to pursue our calling, regardless of obstacles and hardship, we discover the life we were meant to live.

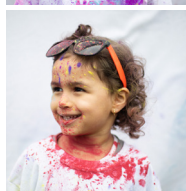
FIRST TIME GUESTS

We promise we're not going to make you stand up in front of everyone or track you down, but we'd love to know you were here today! Simply fill out your communication card in the seat back in front of you and check the "First Time Guest" box. On your way out, stop by Guest Services at the front doors and get your FREE welcome gift. **We're glad you are here!**

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YOU JOINED
US TODAY!**

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We are honored when people choose to do church with us. New Hope is for anyone who wants to seek God - from those exploring whether or not God even exists, to devoted Christ-followers. Wherever you are, you'll find we are committed to showing everyone the love of Jesus and help them establish a relationship with Him. We are casual, laid-back, and far from perfect. **ALL are welcome!**



A special thanks to everyone who participated in the 2018 Hope for Help 5K. Nearly 350 people participated in the 5K and Color Run and nearly 100 people volunteered. Thanks again to all of our amazing sponsors. It was a great day! We will have the final numbers soon, but we know that thousands of meals were funded through the event.

Below are links to photos (view them and/or upload them), as well as the link to the 5K results:

Photos

- **Search by Name, Bib Number, or Finish Time:**
my.racewire.com/media/raceid/35388
- **Kyle the Girl Photo- Color Run Photos:**
kylethegirlphoto.com/newhopecolorrun2018
- **General Event Photos**
 - **Color Run View** - <https://nhclorton.smugmug.com/2018/Hope-for-Help-Color-Run/>
 - **Color Run Upload** – <https://nhclorton.smugmug.com/upload/88G8zB/Color>
 - **5K View** - <https://nhclorton.smugmug.com/2018/5k/>
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Hope for Help 5K & Kids Color Run Results

- **Runners:** my.racewire.com/results/35388/41262
- **Ainsley's Angels:** my.racewire.com/results/35388/41277



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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2018 • 6 PM

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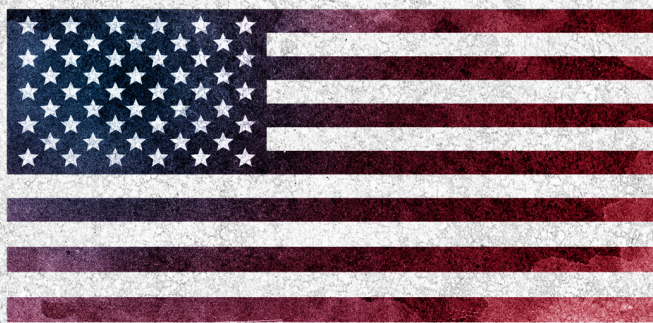
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VETERANS DAY

On Sunday, November 11th, our nation pays tribute to the men and women who serve or served in the United States Armed Forces – many of whom are part of our New Hope family. As a way to honor these individuals, we will have a display table in the lobby honoring the different branches of service. One thing we can all do to show our gratitude is pray for those who put themselves in harm's way for our safety and freedom. Please take a toy soldier from the table and put it in a place where you'll see it each day, as a reminder to keep our armed forces in your prayers.

When you give to New Hope Church, know that in the big picture every dollar is directly applied to the mission of making fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ who are belonging, growing, serving, and reaching. **If you would like to find out more about investing in the local church, please go online to bit.ly/nhcgiving.**

SEPTEMBER FINANCIAL UPDATE - GENERAL OFFERING



2018 YEAR TO DATE FINANCIAL UPDATE - GENERAL OFFERING



Did you know that nearly 60% of people who give at New Hope Church use online giving? It's simple and secure. Whether you'd like to give a single gift, or schedule ongoing donations, you can do it all online using your checking account, debit, or credit card. There are two ways to give online: 1) Create an account on the HUB and utilize the secure online giving through New Hope Church's giving platform, or 2) Use your bank's online bill pay platform to give using your checking account. To give electronically, visit newhope.org/giving.

We think Christians should be the most generous people (2 Corinthians 9:6) on earth to support worthy causes, and there is no organization with more potential to change the world than the local church. Thanks!

LIFEBOUND

Lifebound, the mid-week group for those who recently graduated high school up through your 20's, will not be meeting this coming Wednesday, October 31st.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING

Mark your calendars for our upcoming Christmas Market happening at New Hope on Saturday, December 1st! We still have room for vendors and donation participants. To sign up to be a vendor, please go online to bit.ly/xmasvendor2018. To sign up to be a donation participant, please go online to bit.ly/xmasdonor2018.

We also have two opportunities coming up to put those crafting skills to work! On Sunday, November 4th at 1:30 pm and Wednesday, November 28th at 6:30 pm we will have Ladies Crafting Parties. We will have projects that you can work on, or feel free to bring your own. Please register so that we know how many to plan for online at [.bit.ly/xmascraft2018](https://bit.ly/xmascraft2018).

NEW MEN'S GROUP

Bill Carter is starting a men's group that will meet on Tuesdays at 7 pm in Lorton. The first meeting will be on Tuesday, October 30th at 7735 Grand Wind Drive. Lorton, VA 22079. Contact Bill by email at wcmensgroup@gmail.com or 703-599-7807 for more information. Thanks!





BAPTISM

INFORMATION MEETINGS

Has the time come for you to tell the world you're following after Jesus through your step of baptism?

Baptism is a celebration of your relationship with Jesus and your life with Christ. It is an opportunity to "identify" yourself as someone who has decided to follow Jesus. By being baptized, you are announcing that you are choosing to leave your former way of doing life on your own and entering into a new life with God. The practice of baptism is symbolic of this choice as you enter the water and are immersed, dying to the old way of life and coming out of the water, being raised to new life! By getting baptized, you are not declaring that you are perfect, have it all figured out, or have reached 'super-Christian' status. In fact, you're saying almost the opposite. You are saying by this act, that because you have chosen to enter into a new life with Him, He will rescue you from the destructiveness of sin and brokenness and will begin the process of transforming you into the person He created you to be.

If you are interested in getting baptized during our weekend services on November 24th and 25th, come to an informational meeting after all of our services this weekend. Adults will meet in the auditorium immediately following the service (please get your kids first). Any children interested in being baptized can meet with our Kids' Time staff upstairs in the Remix Room. If you have any questions, please email us at baptism@newhope.org.

WE ♥ OUR VOLUNTEERS

We love our volunteers and we take pleasure in spotlighting them each week. **This week, we'd like to recognize Dan Chartier. Dan serves on our security team and often volunteers extra when there is a need.** Thank you Dan, we appreciate you! Many of you may not realize that we have a security team, but we have a team of people that serve discreetly at each service, keeping our attenders and children safe by keeping a watchful eye around our church. We are so grateful for these people who are usually in the military or law enforcement. **If you are interested in serving on our Security Team, contact Carol Ann at carolann.gregoire@newhope.org. We have some available spots to serve at our 9:00 am service. It's only a one service a month commitment!**

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