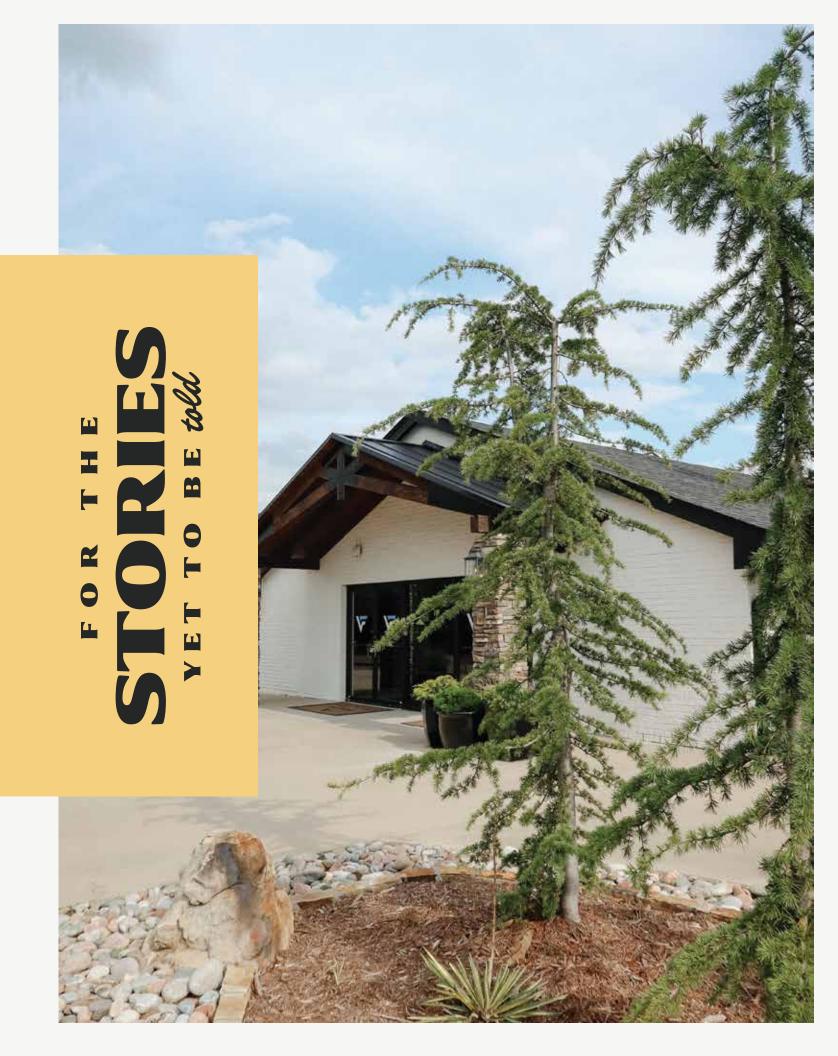


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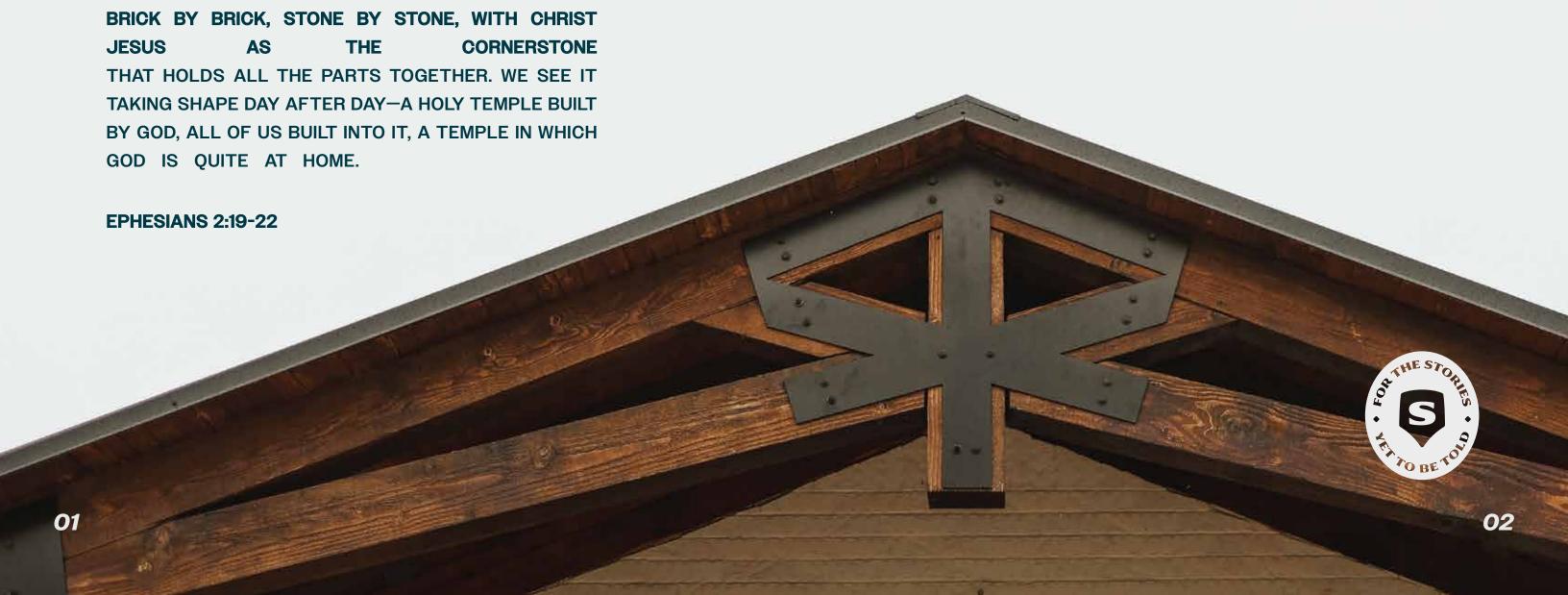
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"SINCE 2013 VFC HAS **BEEN A PLACE WHERE GOD** HAS DONE THE ABSOLUTE MIRACULOUS. AS BLOWN AWAY AS I AM BY WHAT HE HAS DONE, I AM CERTAIN HE IS JUST NOW GETTING STARTED. I AM ASKING YOU TO PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER BEING A PART OF THE NEXT SEASON OF VFC. YOUR GEN-**EROSITY TO THE STORIES CAMPAIGN WILL ALLOW VFC** TO CONTINUE TO REACH MORE PEOPLE AND MAKE A GREATER IMPACT IN OUR COMMUNITY. THERE ARE SO MANY STORIES THAT HAVE YET TO BE WRITTEN. YOU CAN BE A PART OF THE LIFE CHANGE THAT IS STILL TO COME."

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## A Space Where These Stories Will Be Written.

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WE CAN CREATE A PLACE WHERE THOUSANDS WILL EXPERIENCE THE POWER OF GOD AND FIND THEIR PLACE IN His Story.





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NORMAN NEWCASTLE CHICKASHA SHAWNEE















#### MAKENZIE RELEFORD

MAKENZIE WAS BORN IN LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA, AND MOVED TO MOORE, OKLAHOMA, WHEN SHE WAS SEVEN. THE YOUNGEST OF THREE SIBLINGS, SHE GREW UP ALONGSIDE HER TWO OLDER BROTHERS, JAMIS AND MIKE. HER PARENTS WERE TOGETHER FOR 23 YEARS AND MARRIED FOR 14 OF THEM. WHILE FAITH WASN'T A CONSISTENT PART OF THEIR HOME, IT WASN'T UNFAMILIAR EITHER.

THINGS BEGAN TO SHIFT FOR MAKENZIE IN HER EARLY TEENS. AT 14, SHE STARTED ATTENDING CHURCH MORE REGULARLY AND BEGAN SERVING IN THE CHILDREN'S MINISTRY—SHARING BIBLE STORIES AND DOING CRAFTS WITH TODDLERS. EVEN WHILE POURING INTO YOUNG KIDS, SHE FELT A PULL TO EXPERIENCE MORE FOR HERSELF. AT 17, SHE VISITED VICTORY FAMILY CHURCH WITH HER BEST FRIEND—AND THAT'S WHEN EVERYTHING CHANGED. THAT DAY, SHE GAVE HER LIFE TO CHRIST.

"I GREW UP WITH A PRETTY NORMAL LIFE," SHE SAYS.

BUT EVERYTHING SHIFTED IN LATE 2021 WHEN HER FATHER BEGAN STRUGGLING WITH SEVERE MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES. HE GREW INCREASINGLY PARANOID—HEARING VOICES, INSISTING THE FAMILY STAY INSIDE, AND FEARING EVERYDAY THINGS LIKE USING THE AIR CONDITIONER. OUT OF CONCERN, MAKENZIE'S MOM BROUGHT HER BROTHERS HOME FROM COLLEGE EARLY FOR THANKS-GIVING, AND SHORTLY AFTER, HER DAD WAS ADMITTED TO A MENTAL HEALTH FACILITY.

FOR A WHILE, IT SEEMED LIKE THINGS WERE IMPROVING. BUT BY EARLY JANUARY 2022, THE SIGNS RETURNED.

THEN CAME JANUARY 19. MAKENZIE STAYED AFTER SCHOOL FOR SPANISH CLUB, BUT SHE WAS NEVER PICKED UP BY HER PARENTS. HER AUNT CAME INSTEAD—WITH THE HEARTBREAKING NEWS THAT HER FATHER HAD TAKEN BOTH HIS OWN LIFE AND HER MOTHER'S.

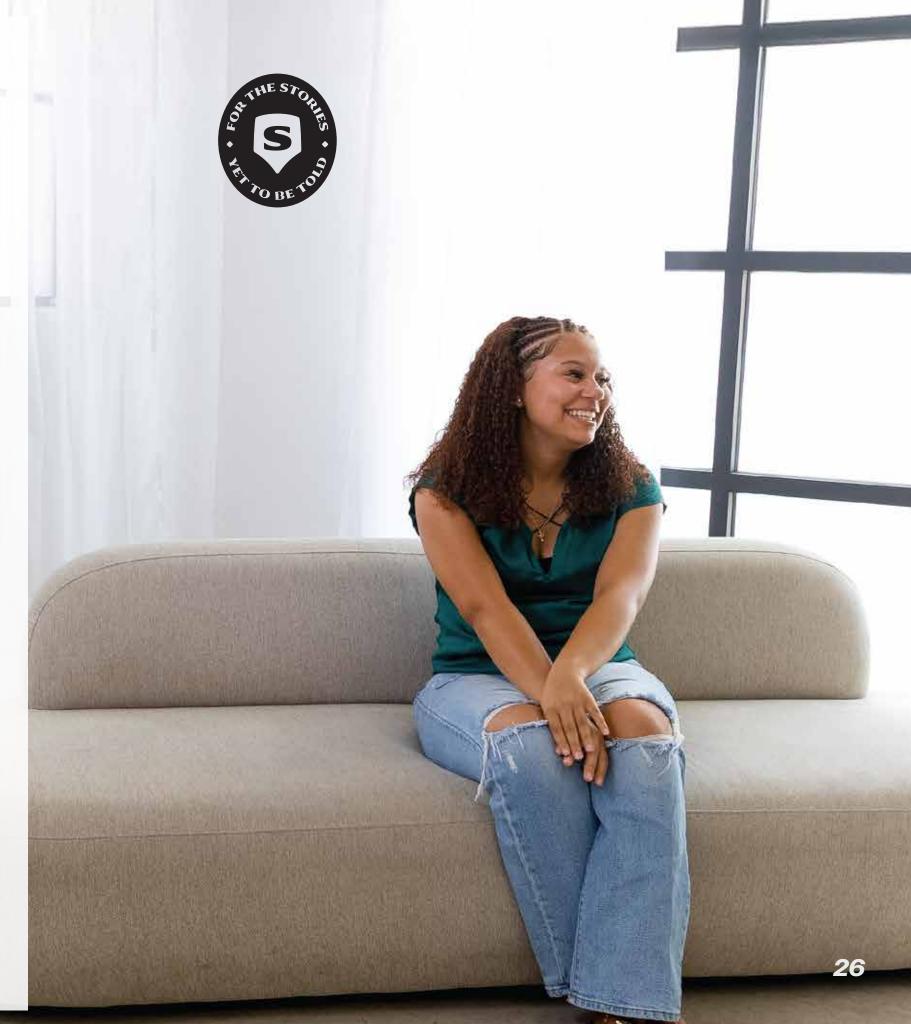
"IT MADE ME REALIZE HOW SHORT LIFE IS," MAKENZIE REFLECTS. "WE SHOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR THE FAMILY WE HAVE. MENTAL HEALTH IS SO SERIOUS—IT'S NOTHING TO TAKE LIGHTLY."

IN THE MIDDLE OF UNIMAGINABLE GRIEF, MAKENZIE TURNED TO THE ONLY PLACE SHE KNEW SHE COULD FIND PEACE—HER FAITH. SHE MADE THE COURAGEOUS DECISION TO ACCEPT WHAT HAD HAPPENED, HOLDING ONTO THE TRUTH THAT HER DAD WASN'T HIMSELF IN THOSE FINAL DAYS. "I KNOW MY DAD WASN'T HIMSELF. HE WOULDN'T HAVE EVER HURT US IF HE WAS."

INSTEAD OF WALKING AWAY FROM GOD, MAKENZIE LEANED IN. SHE GOT BAPTIZED, CHOOSING TO DECLARE HER FAITH PUBLICLY—EVEN IN HEARTBREAK—BELIEVING THAT GOD BRINGS LIGHT INTO THE DARKEST MOMENTS.

TODAY, SHE SHARES HER STORY TO ENCOURAGE ANYONE WHO'S HURTING OR QUESTIONING THEIR OWN JOURNEY.

"GOD IS NOT DONE WITH YOU EVEN WHEN YOU FEEL LIKE HE IS," SHE SAYS. "WE ALL ASK, 'WHY ME?' SOMETIMES. BUT HE GIVES HIS TOUGHEST BATTLES TO HIS TOUGHEST SOLDIERS. EVERYTHING HAPPENS FOR A REASON. IF IT WASN'T FOR THE STRENGTH FROM GOD, I WOULDN'T BE WHERE I AM TODAY."





## STEVE & TRACY TAYLOR

TRACY HAS BEEN PART OF VICTORY FAMILY CHURCH FOR YEARS—SHOWING UP FAITHFULLY, EVEN WHEN IT MEANT WALKING IN ALONE.

"I'VE ATTENDED CHURCH BY MYSELF FOR PROBABLY 20 YEARS," SHE SHARES.

DURING THAT TIME, HER HUSBAND STEVE KEPT HIS DISTANCE. HE BATTLED ALCOHOL AND GAMBLING ADDICTION, AND THE WEIGHT OF IT DEEPLY IMPACTED THEIR HOME AND FAMILY. WHEN TRACY FIRST STARTED COMING TO CHURCH, STEVE WASN'T AROUND AT ALL. SO WHEN HE SHOWED UP FOR AN EASTER SERVICE, IT FELT LIKE A GLIMMER OF HOPE. STILL, THEIR JOURNEY WAS FAR FROM EASY.

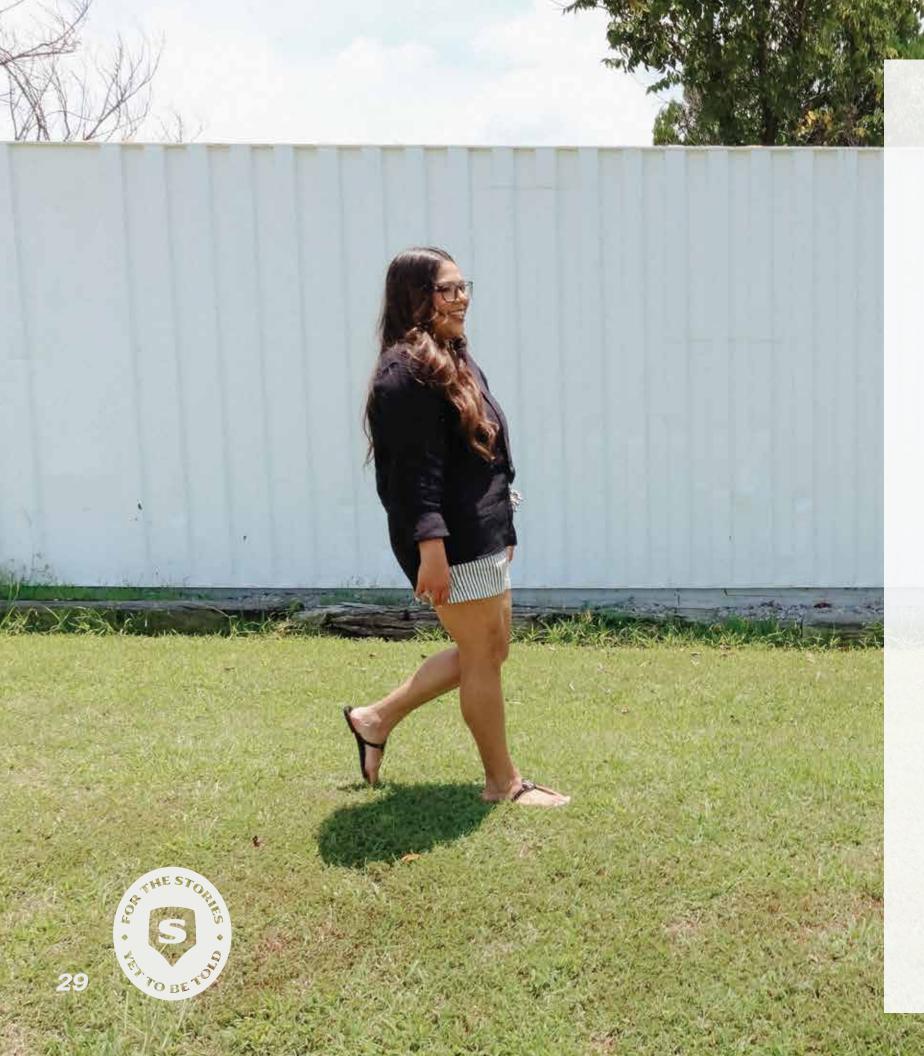
IN THE WEEKS LEADING UP TO LAUNCH SUNDAY, THE CHURCH WAS PREPARING THE AUDITORIUM AND HAD JUST REPLACED THE CARPET. PEOPLE WERE INVITED TO WRITE THE NAMES OF LOVED ONES THEY WERE PRAYING FOR DIRECTLY ONTO THE CONCRETE FLOOR BENEATH THE NEW CARPET. TRACY AND HER DAUGHTER LAUREN KNELT DOWN AND WROTE STEVE'S NAME IN THE FRONT LEFT CORNER—BELIEVING THAT GOD COULD STILL MOVE IN HIS LIFE.

THAT PRAYER DIDN'T GO UNHEARD. BUT BEFORE BREAKTHROUGH CAME, THINGS GOT HARDER. THEIR MARRIAGE HIT A BREAKING POINT, AND STEVE REACHED THE END OF HIMSELF. IN JUNE 2023, HE GAVE HIS LIFE TO CHRIST AND MADE THE COURAGEOUS DECISION TO ENTER IN-PATIENT REHAB.

SINCE THEN, EVERYTHING HAS CHANGED. STEVE HAS NOW CELE-BRATED OVER TWO YEARS OF SOBRIETY. HE'S BEEN BAPTIZED, IS WALKING WITH JESUS, AND SERVES WEEKLY AT CHURCH. HE AND TRACY EVEN WENT THROUGH REJENGAGE TOGETHER, FINDING HEALING AND RESTORATION IN THEIR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY.

"WE'VE BEEN MARRIED FOR 30 YEARS," TRACY SAYS. "IT HASN'T BEEN EASY, BUT GOD HAS BEEN SO FAITHFUL. HE CAN REDEEM EVEN THE HARDEST SEASONS."





#### **JESSICA MURRAY**

JESSICA MURRAY AND HER HUSBAND WALKED THROUGH THE DOORS OF VICTORY FAMILY CHURCH IN 2019, HOPING FOR A FRESH START. WHAT THEY FOUND WAS MORE THAN A NEW BEGINNING, IT WAS TRANSFORMATION.

JESSICA'S JOURNEY TO FAITH STARTED DURING ONE OF THE HARDEST SEASONS OF HER LIFE. IN 2018, WHILE FIVE MONTHS PREG-NANT WITH HER DAUGHTER TAYLOR, JESSICA'S BROTHER PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY. AFTER TAYLOR WAS BORN, SHE FOUND HERSELF IN THE GRIP OF POSTPARTUM DEPRESSION AND ANXIETY. "I REALLY SUFFERED IN SILENCE," SHE SHARES. "I HAD SEVERE SUICIDAL THOUGHTS. IT TOOK ONE REALLY SCARY MOMENT WHEN I WAS OUT WITH FRIENDS, CRYING, SAYING I WAS GOING TO DO IT. THE NEXT MORNING, THEY ALL CALLED ME AND TOLD ME HOW **TERRIFIED THEY WERE."** 

THAT MOMENT WAS A TURNING POINT. NOT LONG AFTER, SHE AND HER HUSBAND STARTED COMING TO CHURCH TOGETHER. "I KNEW I COULDN'T LIVE LIKE THAT ANYMORE. I WAS READY TO LET GO OF THAT OLD LIFE AND STOP BEING ANGRY AT GOD."

ONE OF THE MOST MEANINGFUL PARTS OF THAT SEASON WAS

WATCHING HER HUSBAND - WHO HAD NEVER BEEN TO CHURCH BEFORE - CHOOSE TO COME ALONGSIDE HER. WITHIN THREE MONTHS, THEY BOTH GOT BAPTIZED. "I WAS READY TO EXPERIENCE HIS HAPPINESS, HIS JOY, AND HIS LOVE AGAIN."

AS JESSICA CONTINUED TO HEAL, SERVING BECAME A HUGE PART OF HER JOURNEY. SHE STARTED SHOWING UP WHEREVER HELP WAS NEEDED - GREETING, CONNEC-TIONS, AND EVENTUALLY, THE COFFEE SHOP. "I LOVE IT BECAUSE I GET TO MEET SO MANY NEW PEOPLE AND HAVE REAL CONVER-SATIONS. PEOPLE COME IN FROM ALL OVER, AND I CAN WELCOME THEM, SHARE KINDNESS, AND MAKE THEM FEEL SEEN. IF I CAN MAKE SOMEONE'S DAY LIGHTER AND HAPPIER, I'M ALL FOR IT. YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT PEOPLE ARE GOING THROUGH. SERVING GIVES ME THE CHANCE TO POUR GOD'S LOVE INTO OTHERS AND BUILD **REAL RELATIONSHIPS."** 

JESSICA CONTINUES TO SHARE HER STORY FOR ANYONE WHO FEELS STUCK IN A HARD PLACE:

"IF I CAN COME OUT OF IT, YOU CAN TOO. GOD IS TRULY MY LIGHT. HE COMPLETELY CHANGED MY LIFE. IF HE CAN DO THAT FOR ME, HE CAN DO IT FOR YOU."

## JEREMY & ABERA ALEXANDER

FOR JEREMY AND ABERA ALEXANDER, 2019 WAS A TURNING POINT. WITH FOUR CHILDREN OF THEIR OWN: KIARA, NAHLA, ZARAH, AND CAMDEN—LIFE ALREADY FELT FULL. BUT WHEN ABERA STARTED HER FIRST TEACHING JOB, SHE MET TYREN, A 6TH GRADER WHOSE LIFE MIRRORED MANY OF HER OWN STRUGGLES.

TYREN'S HOME LIFE GREW INCREASINGLY UNSTABLE, LEADING TO HIS REMOVAL FOR ABUSE AND NEGLECT. DESPITE MANY CHALLENGES, THE ALEXANDERS WELCOMED HIM IN. IN SEPTEMBER 2019, THEY GAINED LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP, AND THEIR FOREVER FAMILY BEGAN TO FORM.

"IT WASN'T EASY AT FIRST,"
JEREMY SAYS. "EVERYONE'S
ROLES CHANGED OVERNIGHT."

THEY KNEW THEY NEEDED A STRONG FOUNDATION, BUT FOR YEARS HAD STRUGGLED TO FIND A CHURCH HOME WHERE THEY TRULY BELONGED.

THAT SEPTEMBER, THEY ATTENDED A FIRST RESPONDER EVENT AT VICTORY FAMILY CHURCH. FROM THE MOMENT THEY ARRIVED, THEY FELT GENUINELY WELCOMED—FROM FAMILIAR

FACES GREETING THEM IN THE PARKING LOT TO STAFF LEARNING THEIR STORY. THE KIDS DIDN'T WANT TO LEAVE AND COULDN'T WAIT TO RETURN.

"WE KNEW WE'D FOUND OUR CHURCH HOME," JEREMY SHARES. VICTORY FAMILY CHURCH BECAME THE PLACE WHERE THEIR FAMILY GREW CLOSER THAN EVER. A CARING COMMUNITY RALLIED AROUND THEM AND TYREN, SHOWING THEM LOVE, SUPPORT, AND PRAYER.

"GOD USED THIS CHURCH TO CHANGE OUR HEARTS," JEREMY SAYS. "WE LEARNED TO LOVE, GROW, AND FORGIVE. THE TRAUMAS OF THE PAST AREN'T FORGOTTEN, BUT NOW WE SEE THEM THROUGH THE EYES OF TRUE BELIEVERS. WE FOUND STRENGTH IN TURNING OUR MESS INTO A MESSAGE."

THEIR LIVES WERE TRANSFORMED. THEY DREW CLOSER TO JESUS, BUILT REAL FRIENDSHIPS, AND FOUND PURPOSE IN SERVING. TODAY, THE ALEXANDERS HELP WITH YOUTH AND KIDS, GIVE RIDES, MOW THE LAWN, AND SIMPLY TRY TO BE THERE FOR OTHERS.

"VFC ISN'T JUST WHERE WE ATTEND," JEREMY SAYS. "IT'S WHERE WE BELONG. IT'S WHERE WE'VE BECOME THE FAMILY GOD CALLED US TO BE.







## The Problem:

WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF A MIRACLE, SEEING GOD WORK IN AND THROUGH PEOPLE'S LIVES.

HOWEVER, OUR CURRENT SPACE IS AT CAPACITY. THE AUDITORIUM IS PACKED, OUR KIDS' CLASSROOMS ARE FULL, AND THE LOBBY IS CROWDED.

WE NEED A LONG-TERM SOLUTION TO AVOID SPACE LIMITATIONS. THIS IS A CHANCE TO CREATE MORE ROOM FOR LIFE CHANGE AND NEW

STORIES YET TO BE TOLD.





## PROJECT DETAILS

THE STORIES CAMPAIGN IS
ABOUT MAKING SPACE FOR
TRANSFORMATION—WHERE BROKEN
PEOPLE FIND HOPE, FAMILIES ARE
RESTORED, AND KIDS GROW UP
KNOWING GOD'S LOVE. WE
BELIEVE GOD IS CALLING US
TO CREATE ROOM FOR THESE
Stories to be written.

WHAT THIS LOOKS LIKE:

## AUDITORIUM EXPANSION

2-3 SERVICES IN A SINGLE 500 SEAT AUDITORIUM, ENHANCING BOTH EXPERIENCE AND CAPACITY.

## O2 LOBBY & GATHERING SPACE EXPANSION

CREATING A MORE WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT FOR CONNECTION AND NEXT STEPS IN FAITH. ADDITIONAL SQUARE FOOTAGE ADDED: 8,550 + OUTDOOR SPACE.

## OB KIDS MINISTRY SPACE EXPANSION

REDESIGNING SPACES TO BETTER SERVE GROWING KIDS' AND ADULT MINISTRIES.







ONE OF THE CORE VALUES WE LIVE BY IS: WE GIVE OUR VERY BEST TO THE NEXT GENERATION. BECAUSE OF THAT COMMITMENT, WE ARE **EXPANDING OUR SPACE SO** WE CAN CONTINUE SERVING MORE KIDS EACH SUNDAY **EXCELLENCE-AND** WITH **ENVIRONMENTS** CREATE THAT REFLECT THE HEART, ENERGY. AND PURPOSE OF VFKIDS AT ITS BEST.

#### THE DETAILS:

DOUBLING THE SQUARE FOOTAGE FOR KIDS MINISTRY

RENOVATING THE EXISTING AUDITORIUM INTO ADDITIONAL VFKIDS SPACE

REWORKING THE ROOMS IN THE EXISTING KIDS HALLWAY



THIS VISION ISN'T ABOUT
THE NUMBERS IT'S ABOUT THE
PEOPLE. EVERY SEAT, ROOM, AND
WALL REPRESENTS A LIFE,

A FAMILY, AND A FUTURE STORY OF FAITH.

WE'RE NOT JUST BUILDING FOR TODAY, WE'RE BUILDING FOR

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**CURRENT PROJECTION:** 

\$3,500,000



## PROJECT Timeline

August 17th

## CAMPAIGN SERMON SERIES BEGINS

THIS IS THE OFFICIAL KICK-OFF OF THE "STORIES" CAMPAIGN.
WE ARE VERY EXCITED FOR WHAT GOD IS GOING TO DO IN THE HEARTS
OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY OVER THE NEXT 6 WEEKS.

August 20th - September 24th

## WEDNESDAY ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

ON WEDNESDAYS THROUGHOUT THE CAMPAIGN, WE WILL HAVE DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES FOR ADULTS WHILE THE KIDS & YOUTH MINISTRIES WILL HAVE AGE-APPROPRIATE CONTENT IN THEIR REGULAR PROGRAMMING.

September 14th

## ADVANCE COMMITMENT NIGHT

A NIGHT OF PRAYERFUL WORSHIP OUTSIDE AND ENVISIONING WHAT OUR FUTURE BUILDING LOOKS AND FEELS LIKE TOGETHER.

September 21st

## **COMMITMENT SUNDAY**

THIS SUNDAY, WE WILL BE RECEIVING "STORIES" CAMPAIGN COMMITMENT CARDS.

October 5th

## VISION OFFERING SUNDAY

THIS IS AN EXCITING DAY WHERE WE WILL ANNOUNCE THE AMOUNT THAT HAS BEEN COMMITTED & RECEIVE THE FIRST GIFTS TOWARDS THE CAMPAIGN.

## **BREAKING GROUND**

ROUGHLY 6 MONTHS AFTER WE REACH THE GOAL AMOUNT OF \$2M PLEDGED THROUGH COMMITMENT CARDS, WE PLAN TO BREAK GROUND TOWARDS THE NEW FACILITIES.

# Opportunity

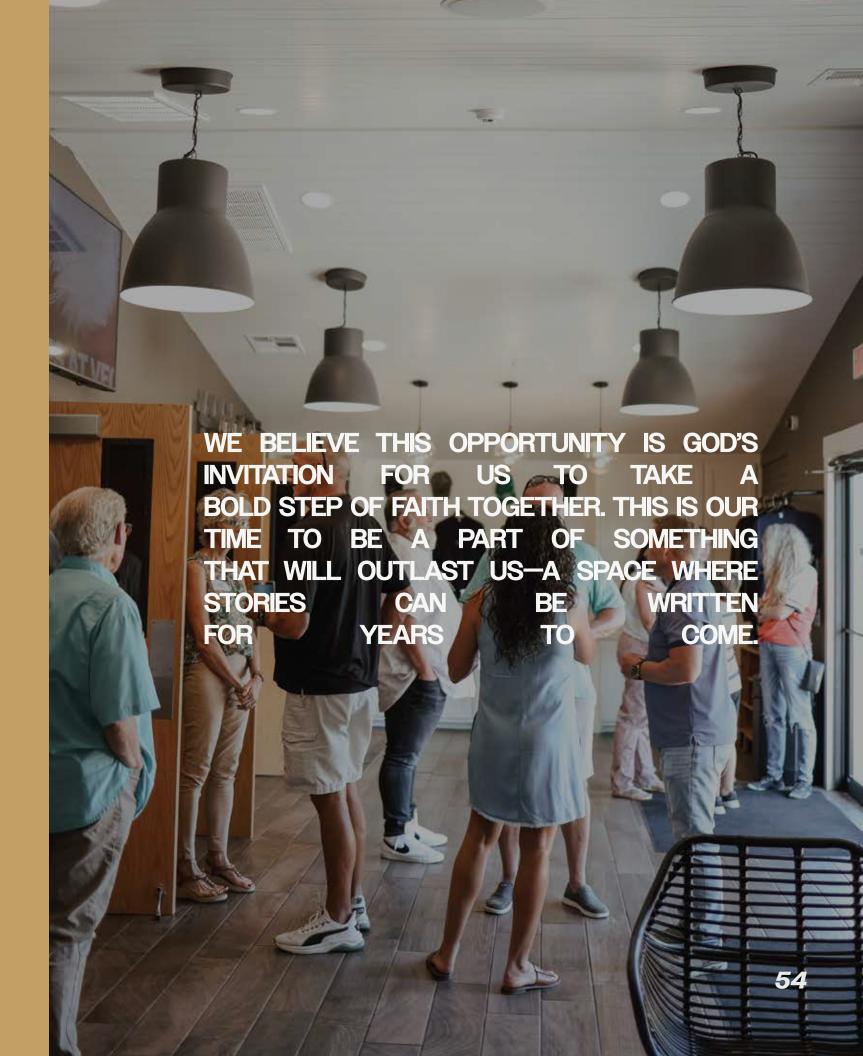
AT VFC, WE'RE NOT JUST BUILDING A BUILDING—WE'RE BUILDING A FUTURE WHERE EVEN MORE PEOPLE CAN EXPERIENCE THE HOPE AND LIFE FOUND IN JESUS. THIS ISN'T JUST ABOUT SQUARE FOOTAGE; IT'S ABOUT THE IMPACT. HERE'S WHAT WE SEE:

**REACHING MORE PEOPLE**: EXPANDING OUR AUDITORIUM AND LOBBY MEANS WE CAN CONTINUE TO WELCOME FAMILIES, FRIENDS, AND NEIGHBORS INTO A SPACE WHERE THEY FEEL AT HOME AND HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENCOUNTER JESUS.

RAISING UP DISCIPLES: MORE SPACE MEANS MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW DEEPER IN OUR FAITH THROUGH SMALL GROUPS, CLASSES, AND MINISTRY EVENTS THAT EQUIP PEOPLE TO LIVE OUT THEIR PURPOSE.

**STRENGTHENING FAMILIES:** FROM KIDS TO STUDENTS TO ADULTS, WE WANT EVERY GENERATION TO HAVE A PLACE WHERE THEY CAN CONNECT, GROW, AND BUILD A FOUNDATION IN CHRIST.

CREATING COMMUNITY: A LARGER LOBBY AND GATHERING AREAS WILL ALLOW US TO CREATE SPACES WHERE RELATIONSHIPS CAN BE BUILT, AND PEOPLE CAN FEEL CONNECTED BEFORE THEY EVEN WALK INTO THE AUDITORIUM.



#### **S** PRAY FIRST

"PRAYER IS THE FOUNDATION OF EVERYTHING WE DO."

THIS HAS BEEN A CORE VALUE AT VFC SINCE THE BEGINNING. WE ASK THAT YOU JOIN US IN LIVING THIS OUT, AS WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS AND PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER HOW EACH OF US ARE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BUILDING OF HIS CHURCH THROUGH THIS THE STORIES CAMPAIGN.

## **S** PREPARE

EVEN AS ONE BODY, GOD HAS EACH OF US ON A SPECIFIC JOURNEY THROUGH THIS CAMPAIGN. ALLOW GOD TO EXPAND YOUR VISION. HE OFTEN ENABLES US TO DO MORE THAN WE THINK POSSIBLE. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO STRETCH YOUR FAITH AND TO TRUST GOD IN A NEW WAY.

## **S** REMEMBER + PRAISE

REMEMBER GOD'S FAITHFULNESS AND PRAISE HIM THAT HE WILL CONTINUE TO DO IMMEASURABLY MORE THAN ALL WE COULD ASK, DREAM, OR IMAGINE. IT IS AN HONOR TO PLAY A PART IN GOD'S PLAN FOR HIS CHURCH. AS YOU STEP OUT IN OBEDIENCE, REMEMBER GOD IS FAITHFUL TO MEET US AT OUR LEVEL OF FAITH.



THE STORIES CAMPAIGN IS A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY WITH FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS. AS WE STEP INTO THIS SEASON, WE'RE ASKING GOD FOR TWO THINGS:

That He would deeply move in the hearts of every person who calls Vfc home.

That the necessary funds would be raised through Spirit-led generosity.

WE BELIEVE BOTH OF THESE OUTCOMES WILL HAPPEN AS EACH OF US TAKES TIME TO PRAY, REFLECT, AND TALK WITH THOSE CLOSEST TO US ABOUT WHAT FAITHFUL PARTICIPATION LOOKS LIKE. AS YOU'LL SEE IN THE EXAMPLE COMMITMENT CHART, THERE ARE A VARIETY OF WAYS INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES CAN GET INVOLVED. WE'RE SIMPLY ASKING YOU TO SEEK GOD, LISTEN, AND RESPOND WITH THE COMMITMENT YOU FEEL HE'S LEADING YOU TO MAKE. THIS IS ABOUT MORE THAN GIVING,

It's about being part of a story bigger than ourselves.

**GOAL: \$2,000,000 OVER 3 YEARS** 

GIFTS NEEDED	3-YEAR GIFT OF	ANNUAL GIFT OF	MONTHLY GIFT OF	GIFT TOTAL
1	\$150,000	\$50,000	\$4,167	\$150,000
2	\$75,000	\$25,000	\$2,083	\$150,000
4	\$50,000	\$16,667	\$1,389	\$200,000
8	\$35,000	\$11,667	\$972	\$280,000
15	\$25,000	\$8,333	\$694	\$375,000
18	\$15,000	\$5,000	\$417	\$270,000
20	\$10,000	\$3,333	\$278	\$200,000
25	\$7,500	\$2,500	\$208	\$187,500
30	\$3,600	\$1,200	\$100	\$108,000
40	\$1,800	\$600	\$50	\$72,000
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TOTAL GIFT GOAL \$2,000,000

## HOWTO

# Commit to The Stories Campaign

THERE ARE COMMITMENT CARDS AVAILABLE AT THE Next Steps Desk THROUGHOUT THE CAMPAIGN.

TURN IN YOUR COMMITMENT CARD ON COMMITMENT SUNDAY, September 21st.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A COMMITMENT AFTER THAT DATE:

In-Person: SIMPLY DROP IT IN WITH YOUR TITHES & OFFERINGS ANY SUNDAY

Online: VISIT THE CAMPAIGN WEBSITE FOR A DIGITAL VERSION OF THE COMMITMENT CARD





## WHAT HAPPENS IF WE DON'T RAISE THE

Full Amount?

WE'RE COMMITTED TO FINANCIAL INTEGRITY AND TRANSPARENCY. IF THE FULL AMOUNT ISN'T RAISED, WE'LL WORK WITH OUR BUILDER AND ARCHITECT TO EXPLORE WHAT'S POSSIBLE WITHIN THE FUNDS WE DO RECEIVE. ADDITIONALLY, WE'LL SEEK GOD FOR DIRECTION AND REIMAGINE HOW TO MOVE FORWARD WITH WHAT HE PROVIDES.

WHY NOT JUST ADD A SATURDAY OR THURSDAY EXPERIENCE TIME RATHER THAN BUILDING A

Bigger Auditorium?

THAT'S A FAIR QUESTION -AND ONE WE'VE GIVEN A LOT OF THOUGHT TO. WHILE ADDING SERVICES CAN HELP IN SOME WAYS, THE REALITY IS THAT MOST PEOPLE NATURALLY GRAVI-TATE TOWARD A FEW KEY **SERVICE TIMES. NO MATTER** HOW MANY ADDITIONAL SERVICE OPTIONS WE OFFER, THOSE TEND TO STAY THE MOST CROWDED. THAT'S WHY WE BELIEVE THE MOST EFFECTIVE SOLU-TION IS TO CREATE MORE SPACE DURING THE SER-**VICES PEOPLE** ALREADY CHOOSING. A LARGER AUDITORIUM WILL HELP US MAKE ROOM FOR MORE PEOPLE WHEN THEY'RE MOST LIKELY TO COME.

## WHAT IS OUR APPROACH TO DEBT IF WE NEED TO

Borrow?

WE PLAN TO BORROW FOR THIS PROJECT. HOWEVER. WE HOLD A FIRM LINE ON RESPONSIBLE BORROWING. THERE IS A SET THRESHOLD WON'T EXCEED. BECAUSE WE NEVER WANT DEBT TO HINDER MINISTRY. ANY DEBT WE DO TAKE ON WILL BE MEASURED, WISE, AND WITHIN BOUNDARIES **PROTECT** THAT OUR CHURCH'S FUTURE.









#### WE **COULDN'T JUST BUILD IN** Phases?

WE ARE CONSIDERING A PHASED APPROACH FOR SMALLER ITEMS, BUT FOR THE MAIN LOBBY, AUDITORIUM, AND **OUTDOOR SPACE TO CONNECT** THE EXISTING BUILDING WITH THE NEW CONSTRUCTION. PHASING ISN'T POSSIBLE. THERE ARE THREE BIG **REASONS WHY:** 

- 1. THE DISRUPTION TO OUR SUNDAY SERVICES AND WEEKLY MINISTRY WOULD BE TOO GREAT.
- 2. WAITING TO BUILD MAJOR PIECES LATER WOULD LIKELY COST SIGNIFICANTLY MORE **DUE TO RISING CONSTRUCTION** COSTS.
- 3. TO BE GOOD STEWARDS OF TIME, RESOURCES, AND MINIS-TRY MOMENTUM, WE BELIEVE **BUILDING AS MUCH AS WE CAN** NOW IS THE WISEST PATH FORWARD.

#### WHAT ARE WE **FOR** DOING

## Kids and Youth?

WE BELIEVE IN GIVING OUR BEST TO THE NEXT GENERATION. THAT'S WHY KIDS, YOUTH, AND THEIR FAMILIES WILL BE PART OF THIS JOURNEY FROM START TO FINISH.

VFKIDS AND VFYTH WILL HAVE SPECIAL DISCIPLESHIP MOMENTS DURING THE CAM-PAIGN AND WILL EVEN GET TO CONTRIBUTE TOWARD A SPECIFIC PORTION OF THE PROJECT, MAKING THIS THEIR STORY TOO.

#### **AM I REQUIRED TO GIVE EVERYTHING**

## Up Front?

NOT AT ALL. WHILE SOME MAY CHOOSE TO GIVE THEIR FULL **COMMITMENT UP FRONT, MOST** PEOPLE WILL GIVE IN MONTHLY OR SCHEDULED CONTRIBU-TIONS OVER TIME.

SINCE THE STORIES CAMPAIGN IS A 3-YEAR JOURNEY. EARLY GIFTS HELP US GET MOVING ON CONSTRUCTION AND COVER INITIAL EXPENSES. HOWEVER YOU GIVE, WE JUST ASK YOU TO PRAY AND FOLLOW GOD'S LEADING.





# WHEN CAN I START GIVING TOWARD THE

Building Campaign?



YOU CAN BEGIN GIVING AT ANY TIME! THAT SAID, VISION OFFERING SUNDAY IS OCTOBER 5TH, AND WE'RE ENCOURAGING EVERYONE TO MAKE THEIR FIRST CONTRIBUTION TOWARD THEIR 3-YEAR COMMITMENT ON THAT DAY. AFTER THAT, YOU CAN SET UP RECURRING GIFTS OR GIVE AS YOU'RE ABLE THROUGHOUT THE Stories Campaign JOURNEY.

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# WEEK CNE



**STORIES: BY FAITH** 

"Faith is trusting God enough to act — even when we can't see the outcome. God has written incredible stories through our church, and He wants to write even more, but it will take faith from every one of us. As we fix our eyes on Jesus, we're invited to trust Him again, give Him a chance, and take the next step forward, together."



### **DAY 1 – HEBREWS 11:1–6**

WHAT IS ONE AREA OF YOUR LIFE WHERE YOU FEEL UNCERTAIN, BUT SENSE GOD INVITING YOU TO TRUST HIM ANYWAY?

### **DAY 2 - JAMES 2:14-17**

IS YOUR FAITH PRODUCING ACTION, OR ARE THERE PLACES WHERE YOU NEED TO FOLLOW THROUGH ON WHAT YOU BELIEVE?

### **DAY 3 – HEBREWS 11:32–40**

WHICH OF THESE PEOPLE'S STORIES OF FAITH INSPIRES YOU MOST, AND WHY?

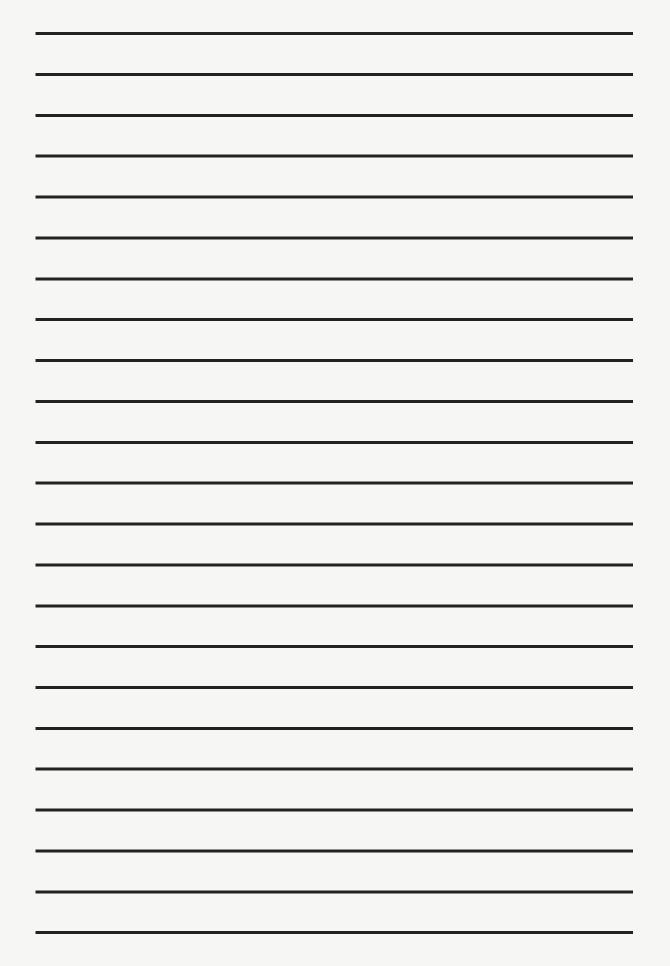
### **DAY 4 - HEBREWS 12:1-3**

WHAT IS ONE THING THAT MIGHT BE "HINDERING" OR "ENTANGLING" YOU FROM RUNNING YOUR RACE OF FAITH RIGHT NOW?

### **DAY 5 - MARK 9:14-24**

HOW CAN YOU PRAY LIKE THE FATHER WHO SAID, "I BELIEVE; HELP MY UNBELIEF"? WHERE DO YOU NEED GOD TO GROW YOUR FAITH?

- WHAT IS SOMETHING YOU'VE SEEN GOD DO BEFORE? HOW DID IT HELP YOU TRUST HIM MORE?
- WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO HAVE FAITH IN GOD, EVEN WHEN YOU CAN'T SEE WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN?
- WHAT IS ONE THING YOU THINK GOD MIGHT WANT OUR FAMILY TO TRUST HIM WITH RIGHT NOW?







### **DAY 1 – GENESIS 12:1–9**

WHAT IS ONE AREA OF YOUR LIFE WHERE GOD MIGHT BE ASKING YOU TO "GO," EVEN IF YOU DON'T KNOW EXACTLY HOW IT WILL TURN OUT?

### **DAY 2 - GENESIS 15:1-6**

HOW DOES REMEMBERING GOD'S PROMISES HELP YOU TRUST HIM MORE IN UNCERTAIN TIMES?

### **DAY 3 - GENESIS 22:1-14**

WHAT DOES ABRAHAM'S OBEDIENCE SAY ABOUT THE DEPTH OF HIS FAITH IN GOD? WOULD YOU HAVE RESPONDED LIKE HE DID?

### **DAY 4 - HEBREWS 11:17-19**

WHAT WOULD IT LOOK LIKE TO TRUST GOD WITH YOUR MOST VALUABLE THING—YOUR "ISAAC"?

### **DAY 5 - ROMANS 4:18-35**

HOW CAN ABRAHAM'S EXAMPLE HELP YOU STRENGTHEN YOUR OWN FAITH IN GOD'S PROMISES THIS WEEK?

- HAS SOMEONE EVER ASKED YOU TO DO SOMETHING HARD? WHAT HELPED YOU TRUST THEM AND SAY YES?
- WHAT'S ONE PROMISE GOD HAS MADE THAT HELPS YOU FEEL BRAVE OR STRONG?
- WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THE GOOD THINGS GOD HAS DONE IN OUR LIVES AND IN THE BIBLE?

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# WEEK.

### IT ALL BELONGS TO GOD

Faith becomes real when we realize that **everything we have belongs to God**—our time, talents, treasures, and even our families. David's prayer in 1 Chronicles 29 reminds us that when we grasp this truth, we are freed from fear and empowered to live with open hands. **True faith leads to humility and joyful generosity**, knowing that we are simply stewards of what God owns.





### **DAY 1 – 1 CHRONICLES 29:1-9**

WHAT STANDS OUT TO YOU ABOUT THE LEADERS' AND PEOPLE'S RESPONSE TO DAVID'S CALL FOR GENEROSITY? HOW CAN YOU MODEL THAT KIND OF OPEN-HANDED FAITH?

### **DAY 2 - 1 CHRONICLES 29:10-13**

WHAT ARE THE THINGS IN YOUR LIFE THAT YOU FIND DIFFICULT TO ACKNOWL-EDGE AS BELONGING TO GOD? WHY IS THAT?

### **DAY 3 - 1 CHRONICLES 29:14-20**

WHY DO YOU THINK HUMILITY IS SO IMPORTANT IN DEVELOPING A GENEROUS HEART?

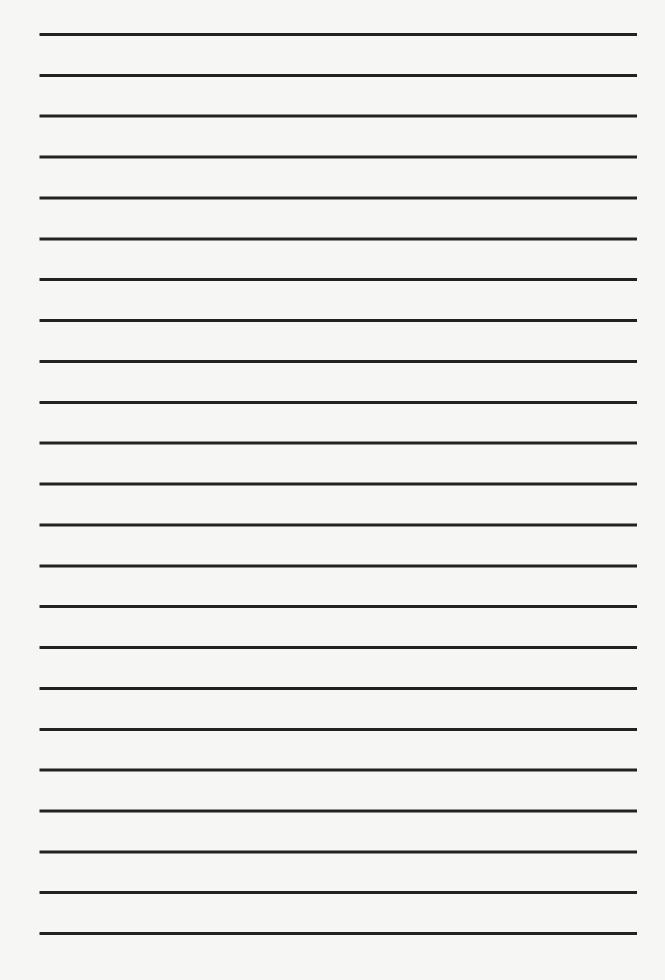
### **DAY 4 - HEBREWS 13:5-6**

HOW DO YOU THINK LEARNING TO BE MORE CONTENT WITH YOUR LIFE COULD HELP YOU TRUST GOD MORE?

### **DAY 5 - JOB 1:20-22**

WHAT DOES JOB'S RESPONSE TO LOSS SAY ABOUT HIS UNDERSTANDING OF OWNERSHIP AND SURRENDER? HOW DOES THAT SHAPE YOUR PERSPECTIVE?

- WHAT ARE SOME THINGS YOU HAVE THAT YOU LOVE A LOT? WHO DO THOSE THINGS REALLY BELONG TO?
- WHY DO YOU THINK IT'S GOOD TO SHARE AND GIVE, EVEN IF WE DON'T HAVE A LOT?
- HOW CAN OUR FAMILY TRUST GOD TOGETHER WITH WHAT WE HAVE?



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# WEEK FOUR

WHEN GOD HAS YOUR HEART

lesus doesn't want something from you—He wants something for you. That's why He talked about money so often—**because** money is one of the greatest competitors for your heart. When God truly has your heart, you're free from fear, full of trust, and able to live with kingdom-first priorities—including how you handle your finances.



### **DAY 1 - MATTHEW 6:19-24**

WHAT DO YOU THINK IT MEANS TO "SERVE MONEY"? WHERE DO YOU SEE THAT TEMPTATION IN YOUR OWN LIFE?

### **DAY 2 - MATTHEW 6:25-34**

WHAT ARE THE FINANCIAL WORRIES YOU CARRY? HOW DOES JESUS' TEACHING CHALLENGE OR COMFORT YOU?

### **DAY 3 - LUKE 12:13-21**

WHY DOES JESUS CALL THE RICH MAN A FOOL? WHAT DOES THIS PARABLE TEACH US ABOUT HOW WE VIEW WEALTH?

### **DAY 4 – MALACHI 3:6–12**

WHAT DOES GOD PROMISE WHEN WE RETURN THE TITHE TO HIM? DO YOU TRUST HIM WITH THAT PROMISE?

### **DAY 5 – 2 CORINTHIANS 9:6–11**

WHAT ATTITUDE DOES GOD WANT US TO HAVE TOWARD GIVING? WHAT'S ONE NEXT STEP YOU COULD TAKE IN GENEROSITY?

- S WHY DO YOU THINK IT'S HARD TO GIVE THINGS AWAY SOMETIMES?
- WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO PUT GOD FIRST WITH OUR MONEY?
- WHAT'S ONE WAY OUR FAMILY CAN BE GENEROUS TOGETHER THIS WEEK?





### **DAY 1 - MATTHEW 25:14-23**

WHAT HAS GOD ENTRUSTED TO YOU? ARE YOU STEWARDING THOSE THINGS FAITHFULLY AND WITH KINGDOM PURPOSE?

### **DAY 2 – MATTHEW 25:24-30**

HOW IS GOD SIMILAR TO AND DIFFERENT FROM THE MASTER IN THIS STORY? WHAT ROLE HAS GRACE PLAYED IN YOUR LIFE?

### **DAY 3 - PROVERBS 21:5 + 15:22**

WHAT KIND OF FINANCIAL PLAN WOULD REFLECT GOD'S VALUES? WHO ARE SOME TRUSTED PEOPLE WHO COULD HELP YOU BUILD IT?

### **DAY 4 - ACTS 20:32-35**

HOW DOES JESUS' STATEMENT, "IT IS MORE BLESSED TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE," CHALLENGE YOUR LIFESTYLE RIGHT NOW?

### **DAY 5 - ACTS 4:32-37**

WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE RADICAL GENEROSITY OF THE EARLY CHURCH? WHAT WOULD IT LOOK LIKE FOR YOU TO LIVE MORE OPEN-HANDED LIKE THEY DID?

- S WHO GAVE US EVERYTHING WE HAVE?
- S WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO SHARE WITH OTHERS? WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?
- HOW CAN OUR FAMILY BE GENEROUS THIS WEEK—WITH MONEY, TIME, OR KINDNESS?

**OBEDIENT FAITH** 

The future God is calling you into - personally and as a church - requires faith. Even when things don't happen the way you expected, God is still writing your story, and He often turns disappointment around for something greater. Your "yes" gives God the chance to keep writing stories through your life.



### **DAY 1 – JOHN 11:1–16**

WHAT DO YOU NOTICE ABOUT JESUS' RESPONSE TO THE NEWS OF LAZARUS' ILLNESS? WHERE IN YOUR LIFE DOES IT FEEL LIKE GOD IS WAITING WHEN YOU WISH HE WOULD ACT?

### **DAY 2 - JOHN 11:17-37**

WHAT DO MARTHA AND MARY EXPRESS TO JESUS? HOW DO YOU TYPICALLY RESPOND TO GOD IN SEASONS OF DISAPPOINTMENT?

### **DAY 3 - JOHN 11:38-44**

WHAT DID IT TAKE FOR MARTHA AND MARY TO "MOVE THE STONE"? WHERE MIGHT GOD BE ASKING YOU TO TRUST HIM AND MAKE THE FIRST MOVE—EVEN BEFORE YOU SEE THE MIRACLE?

### **DAY 4 - LUKE 8:22-25**

IF JESUS WERE TO ASK YOU, "WHERE IS YOUR FAITH?", WHAT WOULD BE YOUR HONEST RESPONSE?

### **DAY 5 - MATTHEW 14:22-33**

WHAT STANDS OUT TO YOU ABOUT WHAT CAUSED PETER TO SINK AND HOW HE WAS ABLE TO WALK ON WATER IN THE FIRST PLACE?

- HAVE YOU EVER HAD TO WAIT FOR SOMETHING REALLY IMPORTANT? WHAT WAS THAT LIKE?
- WHY DO YOU THINK GOD SOMETIMES MAKES US WAIT FOR ANSWERS TO OUR PRAYERS?
- HOW CAN WE SAY "YES" TO GOD AS A FAMILY THIS WEEK, EVEN IF WE'RE NOT SURE WHAT WILL HAPPEN NEXT?

