

ROMANS 12:4-6 (NLT); 2 CHRONICLES 16:9 (NLT)

TRUTH: God's goal today is to renew in your heart a hope... that His plan for you is as it's been from the beginning of your walk with Him... that Christ would change some part of the world through you.

TRUTH REPEAT: God wants to use you as a world changer.

INSIGHT: I believe while your calling may not be my calling, there is a call of God on your life to leave your comfort zone and stretch your faith to attempt something you've never done before.

DEFINITION: A world changer is a man, woman or student who makes the daily choice to allow God to use them however God sees fit.

INSIGHT: The men and women of Hebrews 11 are there because at a point of crisis in their lives they chose by faith to make themselves available to God.

I. CALLED TO CHANGE YOUR WORLD

QUESTION: Why do we focus our attention for room temperature on the thermostat?

TRUTH: The thermostat controls the temperature of the room.

QUESTION: At work, school, or home, are you a thermostat or a thermometer?

QUESTION: Does your life change the culture around you, or is culture changing you?

INSIGHT: You change the world around you only one way...that by faith God has called you to make a difference where He's planted you.

II. LIVING BY FAITH IN UNPRECEDENTED DAYS

#1. When your days are uncertain, cling to what you know (Joshua 3:4).

TRUTH: These are days for God's people to be concerned and diligent but not panicked (Isaiah 43:2).

TRUTH: A son or daughter of God is indestructible until God is done with them (Acts 28:3, 5).

INSIGHT: Paul didn't die from a snake bite because it wasn't his time to die (Acts 23:11).

TRUTH: When you are a world changer for Christ, you are bullet-proof till God's work for you is done.

TRUTH: As long as you have kingdom work to do on earth, you will remain on earth. When that work is done, God will call you home... SO DON'T BE AFRAID (Psalm 91:5-7).

INSIGHT: There will always be something fearful on the horizon of our lives; that's part of living on a broken planet.

#2. The way of God in the storms of our lives

TRUTH: Every storm has a beginning, middle and an end.

INSIGHT: In this present storm of death and weakness, the Lord Jesus never takes His eyes off His own (Matthew 14:22-26).

CLOSING THOUGHT: The Lord watches over His own in the storms of their lives (Mark 6:48).

INSIGHT: When you wonder where the Lord is in the storm you are in today, you can know that He is watching you (Proverbs 15:3).

INVITATION: When Peter walked on the water of the storm, he did just fine TILL he turned his eyes from Jesus to the storm.

INSIGHT: If you are floundering in these days it is because of what you're looking at most of the time.

WORDS OF FAITH AND HOPE NEEDED TODAY:

- 1. Trust the providence of God (Deuteronomy 4:4).
- 2. There are no accidents in the life of a believer (Esther 4:14).
- 3. Nothing touches a child of God without the Father's permission, and there's always a limit (Job 1:12-13).