

BIG IDEA

Hope is here.

KEY VERSE

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

SUMMARY

Jesus is the living hope. To do anything in any area of life, we have to start with gathering around Jesus, by looking to who He is and what He has done. We remind ourselves that we are forgiven and free, made whole and new. When we understand the mission Jesus went on for us, it empowers us to go on mission and live a life of purpose for Him in the world around us. On the cross, all the disappointment of all time was placed on Jesus so we can live forever with hope. Jesus' blood was shed so hope could be poured out in our lives. By faith we receive the living hope in our Spirit. Hope is here.

KEY POINTS

1. Success is not about the results, it's about our obedience. Missional Move Hope for the City is successful when we all respond the way God has invited us to. It's not about the results of how many campuses we open or how many people we reach. If success in life is about results then our identity is determined by our performance. Jesus came so we could be determined by His performance. We are now free to live a life of obedience regardless of the results; it doesn't change who we are.

Where in your life have you been more results focused? Where is God calling you to obedience in your life?

2. We pursue unity with everything we have. In moments like this we are invited by God to unify. One can put 1,000 to flight but 2 can put 10,000 to flight. We are invited to align with Him, the body, and what He is doing.

How have you been aligning your heart and your life with God and what He's been doing?

3. All Kinds of things will be exposed in your heart. As we move forward with God, things are being pulled to the surface in our lives. When God invites us to move things start to come up in our heart. Fear, worry, anxiety, stress, doubt, rebellion, pride, brokenness, and sin patterns. God has been bubbling things to the surface so we can lean in and give it to Him (Psalm 139:23-24). When we go into the unknown the garbage comes to the surface so He can heal us, restore us, and rebuild us. The brokenness has finally been unearthed.

What has bubbled up in your heart? Have you leaned in or leaned out? For what cause have you been born?

FINAL THOUGHTS

When we bury things that belong to God, we can't move forward as a people. Burying our time, resources, gifts, talents, and passions will prevent us as a people to move forward. God has entrusted those things to us. The things that belong to God can't stay buried. Just as Jesus rose from the grave, we too are called to rise up to bring things out of the world and submit it to God. The greatest way to find hope for yourself is by giving it away to others.

What/who do you have Hope for _____?