

Single & Single-Again TUES NITES Meal, Message & Mixer

Mike Krotz Personal Testimony

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Jeremy Cemp *Give Me Jesus* & Matt Redman's *Oh No You Never Let Go*

1. Galatians 5:19-21 English Standard Version (ESV)

¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, ²¹ envy,^[a] drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

2. James 1:5-8 English Standard Version (ESV)

⁵ If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him. ⁶ But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. ⁷ For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; ⁸ he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

3. John 4:13 English Standard Version (ESV)

¹³ Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, I was filling my tank with the wrong stuff

4. John 8:31-32 English Standard Version (ESV)

³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

5. 2 Peter 3:9 English Standard Version (ESV)

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⁹The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you,^[a] not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

6. Luke 12:2-3 English Standard Version (ESV)

² Nothing is covered up that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ³ Therefore whatever you have said in the dark shall be heard in the light, and what you have whispered in private rooms shall be proclaimed on the housetops.

7. 1 John 1:9 New International Version (NIV)

⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

8. Psalm 51:1-4 New International Version (NIV)

¹ Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your unfailing love;
according to your great compassion
blot out my transgressions.

² Wash away all my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.

³ For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is always before me.

⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight;
so you are right in your verdict
and justified when you judge.

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9. James 1:21 English Standard Version (ESV)

²¹ Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

10. Galatians 5:22-23 English Standard Version (ESV)

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

11. 2 Corinthians 12:9 English Standard Version (ESV)

⁹ But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

12. 1 Corinthians 15:10 English Standard Version (ESV)

¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.

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Discussion Questions:

- 1 What portion of Mike's testimony most resonated with you and Why?**
- 2 What particular scripture reference encouraged, surprised or convicted you and why?
- 3 Are there particular patterns in your life that you are repeating that are preventing you from being the very best you can be? If yes, and you feel safe to confess them... please do. (note: no "fixing anyone at the table")**
- 4 Has there ever been a time in your life when shame and guilt overcome you? How did you respond? Did you face the situation head on or is it lingering? Share if you feel safe.

Mike's Challenge: Who at this table is willing to look at their devotional life with regards to daily readings and will make a COMMITMENT TO SEEK GOD IN READING 9 CHAPTERS A DAY. Look around the table and those willing to make that commitment... partner up... share emails and be accountable to one another for 30 days. Allow nothing to come between you and God... Watch your faith grow!

HELPFUL TIPS for Great Table Discussions

Each table should have a designated Table Host.

Use God's ear-to-mouth ratio:

Listen two times more than you speak. 1 or 2 people should not dominate the time, and EVERYONE should contribute during the discussion.

- 1. Smile and be friendly.**
Avoid excessive complaining about people or personal problems.
- 2. God's grace rules the day**
Recognize that everyone will not always agree – be gracious and give grace to one another. People are at different places in their spiritual walk and in their life journey.
- 3. Moving the discussion along.**
Table host/facilitators are to move the discussion along. They have permission to limit any negative comments, to invite people to answer a question, to ask someone for their perspective, to limit the amount of time some people speak, and to move on to the next question.
- 4. Help for the hurting:**
This is a supportive group, but it is not a support group or a therapy session. But if someone is really hurting, take a moment and have someone in the group specifically pray for them.