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★★★ IN THE ★★★

GAME

September 9, 2018

MESSAGE NOTES

Get in the Game | Part 5

Her masters' hopes of wealth were now shattered, so they grabbed Paul and Silas and dragged them before the authorities at the marketplace. "The whole city is in an uproar because of these Jews!" they shouted to the city officials. "They are teaching customs that are illegal for us Romans to practice." A mob quickly formed against Paul and Silas, and the city officials ordered them stripped and beaten with wooden rods. They were severely beaten, and then they were thrown into prison. The jailer was ordered to make sure they didn't escape. So the jailer put them into the inner dungeon and clamped their feet in the stocks.

Acts 16:19-24 (NLT)

How do I respond as a Christ follower to the "agony of defeat?"

1. Relentlessly stay in _____.

Around midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening.

Acts 16:25 (NLT)

2. Passionately stay on _____.

Then he brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved, along with everyone in your household." And they shared the word of the Lord with him and with all who lived in his household.

Acts 16:30-32 (NLT)

3. Consistently stay in _____.

When Paul and Silas left the prison, they returned to the home of Lydia. There they met with the believers and encouraged them once more. Then they left town.

Acts 16:40 (NLT)

And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.

Philippians 1:6 (NLT)

GRACE NEWS

If you want more information or to volunteer with any of these opportunities, please make a note on the Let's Connect card.

What's up with the 9:41? Why do the church bells chime at 9:41 every day? Why does church start at 9:41 on Sunday? Matthew 9:37-38 says "Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." We are praying for laborers and we are praying that God would equip us to be harvesters! Set your phone alarm and join us in praying at 9:41 every day for our community, and the (941) area code. Use the prayer card available at the Info Desk to pray scripturally.

Prayer Cards are now available at the Info Desk in the Lobby.

Beach Baptisms – Have been postponed until all effects of Red Tide are gone!

Children's Ministry Position – We're hiring a Children's Ministry Leader to oversee programming and ministry for children. This is a part-time position. The primary responsibilities are to create environments, activities and programming for each age group that will facilitate learning and encourage spiritual growth. Applications available at Info Desk.

Walk to Emmaus - The Walk to Emmaus is a spiritual weekend retreat that helps you explore and stay connected in your personal relationship with Jesus Christ. It is three jam packed days of learning, worship, reflection, prayer, small groups, laughing and singing. The Men's weekend is September 27 - 30. The women's weekend is October 11 - 13. Applications are available at the Info Desk.

Thursday 2:42 Gathering – will be taking a break until further notice. Stay tuned for the new series announcement with starting date!

LET'S CONNECT

PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BOXES AS YOU EXIT

Date: / / 1st Time Visitor

How did you hear about Grace Church?

Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Zip _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Birthday: / / Male Female

I would like to meet with the pastor.

MY DECISION TODAY

- I said **YES** for the first time, and became a follower of Jesus.
- I decided to **RENEW** my relationship with Jesus.

We have resources to help you with your decision.

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAY FOR: _____

Public Prayer List For Pastors Only

I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:

JOINING THE TEAM

I'm interested in the Partnership Class!

SMART GIVING

go to: egracechurch.com/give

-OR-

text any amount + "Sarasota" to:

239.205.3123

(like this: 100 Sarasota)

An effective and time-saving way to give your tithes and offerings without carrying cash or writing checks.



Fishing Ministry – Tuesday, September 11th, will be meeting in the Gathering Place. Dinner starts at 6:30 pm, meeting starts at 7:00 pm.

Ghana Mission Prayer Partners – Prayer is as important to a mission trip as physically going! Be part of the Ghana mission by praying over the team when they leave from the church on September 23th at 4:00 then each night thereafter at 6:30pm in the Worship Center. Specific prayer requests will be sent from Ghana daily.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

University of the Holy Spirit Bible Study – Sundays, 8:30am – 9:30am in the back of the Gathering Place.

Pastor Bible study – Tuesdays at 7:30 am, meets in the Gathering Place.

Fishing Club – 2nd Tuesday of the month from 6:30 – 8:00pm in the Boat House - Learn from a speaker and 'hook-up' with fellow fisherman. Dinner available for \$5.00.

City Commit – Men's group, Wednesday mornings 6:30am-8:00am in the conference room

Step Up – AA meeting Wednesday mornings at 7:00 am in the Gathering Place Meeting room.

Prayer hour – Wednesdays, noon – 1 pm in the Worship Center. Come join us in praying for our church, our neighborhoods, the 941, & the nations. Come if you are in need of prayer.

Praise & Worship practice – Wednesdays, 6:00 – 8:30 in the Worship Center

Sprout - 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month - Community breakfast is served at 9:00am followed by food distribution by All Faiths Food Bank from 10:00 – 11:30.

Community Clothing Connection - Open the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month from 10:00 – 11:30 am. Most items are only \$1.00.



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