



Date: 06 June 2018

SERMON TITLE: TURNING THE BITTER INTO SWEET – PT 2 – PS At Boshoff

WELCOME: Welcome all New Visitors. Do an Icebreaker.

WORSHIP: SING: 1 Praise Song & 2 Worship Songs. During Prayer Time focus on God's GREATNESS AND

WORD

Ask a cell member to read the following scripture: Acts 7:54-8:8

QUESTION 1: If you were one of Stephan's friends, how would you have responded to him being stoned for his faith?

NEEDLESS TO SAY: THIS WAS A BAD DAY / SEASON FOR THE EARLY BELIEVERS!!

QUESTION 2: When you look back on your life, what would you say was the "worst day of your life?" How did you deal with that specific situation?

QUESTION 3: They say "hind-sight" is "perfect-sight." Having gone through that specific situation, what have you learned from that situation that will cause you to respond differently should something like that happen again to you?

Read: Hebrews 11:32-39

QUESTION 4: Here the Hebrew writer writes about "heroes of faith." What do you learn from these statements regarding these "heroes of faith?"

THESE HEROES OF FAITH CHOSE TO BELIEVE... IN SPITE OF THEIR CIRCUMSTANCES... THAT GOD IS STILL GOOD AND GOD IS STILL ABLE

Pastor At challenged us on Sunday to do three things whenever we face the worst day of our life:

1. When you face the worst day of your life... REMEMBER WHO GOD IS!
If life has declared open season on you, know this: It is an unfortunate part of life. Nothing in the Bible, nothing in the nature of God suggests that bad things won't happen in the course of life.

Read: John 16:33

1 Peter 4:12 (Message)

12-13 Friends, when life gets really difficult, don't jump to the conclusion that God isn't on the job. Instead, be glad that you are in the very thick of what Christ experienced. This is a spiritual refining process, with glory just around the corner.

- *The worst day of your life does not change the nature of God, or the nature of God's love for you.*
- *The worst day of your life is just that - the worst day of your life.*

OWN NOTES:

Read: Psalms 23:4-6

2. When you face the worst day of your life... REMEMBER WHAT GOD CAN DO!

Read: 2 Chronicles 20:5-12

QUESTION 5: What do you learn about King Jehoshaphat's trust in God when you listen to his prayer?

Read: Ephesians 3:20

QUESTION 6: What are some practical things you can do to consistently remind yourself of what God is able to do in your life?

3. When you face the worst day of your life... ALLOW GOD TO WORK THROUGH YOU

THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF ALLOWING GOD TO TURN YOUR BITTER INTO SWEET...ALLOWING GOD TO WORK THROUGH YOU!!!

Acts 8:4-5

4 Therefore those who were scattered went everywhere preaching the word. 5 Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ to them.

Philip had just witnessed his best friends' murder.

This was most probably the worst day of his life. He could have chosen to give up all hope...but he did not. Philip did something we all must do if we ever want to see good come out of the worst day of our lives: **HE ALLOWED GOD TO WORK THROUGH HIM WHEN HIS HEART WAS BROKEN!**

OWN NOTES:

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

WIN THE LOST AT ANY COST!

People in your world who have experienced adversity, bind the work of the enemy in their lives and release the blessings of God into their lives and invite them to the Celebration Service for them to experience the power of God under the ministry of the Word.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer:

Monday Evenings 17:30 – 18:30 pm

Wednesday Mornings 5:45 to 6:45 am

Pre-Prayer Sunday's – AM 08:45 / PM 17:10

NMO – Monday 04 June 19:00 pm

BUSINESS CELL FRIDAY 08 June 07:45 -08:45 am!