Sunday Meeting at SCF ~ 21/01/18

"New Beginnings"



Moving out and moving on

"By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whether he went." (Heb. 11:8)



The dangerous and cluttered life of the flesh

- "For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit..." "Those who are in the flesh cannot please God." ROMANS 8:5 & 8
- "For if you live according to the flesh, you shall die: but if by the Spirit you mortify the deeds of the flesh, you shall live." ROMANS 8:13
- "...you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator." COLOSSIANS 3:9-10



The 4 expressions of the flesh

Expression	Success rate of conquering it	Method
SIN	HIGH	Repentance & grace by faith
SELFISHNESS	MEDIUM	Repentance & grace by faith/ discipleship
SELF-INTEREST/ SELF RIGHTEOUSNESS	LOW/MEDIUM	Repentance & grace by faith/ deep discipleship
INNER WOUNDS	LOW	Special ministry to create a Truth Encounter

4 Steps to take to transition into the new

- 1. Recognize what it is that we need to let go of.
- 2. Stop clinging to whatever it is that's holding you back.
- 3. Gather the energy and the will to take action. [Opportunity later]
- 4. Surrender whatever it is to God, trusting that He will take care of it, and take care of us, and that it is OK to move on.

When we ask of God, we are revealing our child-like trust in His goodness and grace

• "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you." MATTHEW 7:7



Strongholds are like 2nd WW 'pill boxes' in our souls

 "For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh... For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out...

wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!" ROMANS 7:18-25

 "For the weapons of our warfare are not fleshly, but mighty in God for <u>pulling down strongholds</u>...and bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ." 2 CORITHIANS 10:4-6



A tried and tested method of dealing with lie-based Strongholds

TRACE

~ back through the layers until you get to the Core Lie

FACE

~ issues (re-live the negative experiences and their corresponding emotions)

REPLACE

~ the Core Lie with God's Truth by 'hearing' and 'aggressively applying' His specific voice and word of truth