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**When is a time in your life when
you pushed yourself to accomplish
something of which you were proud?
Share with the group.**

TAKING IT IN



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biblical encounter

Matthew 16:13-17; 21-26

As we read this as a group, mark anything that jumps out at you from the passage.

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¹³ When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴ They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵ “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?” ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷ Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by my Father in heaven.

²¹ From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the

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elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life. ²² Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. "Never, Lord!" he said. "This shall never happen to you!" ²³ Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the things of God, but the things of men."

²⁴ Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵ For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will find it. ²⁶ What good will it be for a man if he gains the whole world, yet forfeits his soul? Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul?"

notes/thoughts

WORKING IT OUT



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group discussion

- Even today, people have different opinions about Jesus. In today's world, who do people say Jesus is?
- When it comes to living a totally surrendered life, what things tend to get in the way for you? Start with the person sitting closest to the door and go around the circle.

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group discussion

- In verse 22, Peter rebukes Jesus. Why do you think Peter has such a strong emotional response when it is revealed that Jesus must suffer and die?

- In what ways was Peter missing what it really meant to follow after Jesus?

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BRINGING IT HOME



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group discussion

- In the video we just watched, Mark shared a time when he had to submit a relationship to Jesus' Lordship. What areas of your life would you have trouble submitting to Jesus if you were to learn that He had a completely different plan for your life than what you had envisioned? We will go around and share our thoughts.



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In October of 1980, 29 people met in Carmel, Indiana, for the first time, calling their gathering Northview Christian Life Church. Imagine what their hopes and dreams must have been. Imagine the many God-moments that have occurred in and through Northview over the past 30 years. How many people have found Christ? How many have been baptized? How many marriages have been saved? How many missionaries sent? How many ministries established? And to imagine this was all made possible by 29 people who were willing to submit their lives to Jesus' Lordship as it related to starting this church.



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Here we are, 30 years later, the beneficiaries of an earlier generation's vision and faith. We are no longer one church with one temporary location, but rather one church with two campuses. Our Carmel campus is situated on 80 of the most prime acres of real estate in Carmel, the highest point in Hamilton County. Our attendance has grown from 29 to over 4,000. Northview has birthed and developed life-changing ministries like Life Groups, Discipleship Walk, Alpha, Dynamic Marriage and Northview University. We've established amazingly effective ministries to children and teens. What once influenced only Carmel, Indiana, 30 years ago is now impacting urban areas like Brookside, Indian reservations in South Dakota and faraway places like Nicaragua, Ghana, South Africa, Brazil and China.

So, what about today? As we consider what it means for us to surrender to the Lordship of Jesus for the future of Northview, we are imagining the next generation of life-changing ministry. Our clarion call for Northview is to re.IMAGINE ...




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Although the last year of church life has affirmed that building a new worship auditorium on our Carmel campus was the right next chapter for our congregation, with more than 1,000 baptisms, 800 salvations and weekly attendance up over 1,000, it has been the understanding of church leaders that the project would take several steps:

- 1) Planning and preparation
- 2) Raising money to build
- 3) Build
- 4) Raising money to pay off debt



Our challenge today is to stay fully engaged on the mission, while aggressively reducing debt so that we can realize our greatest redemptive potential today and in the years to come.



OBJECTIVE



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We believe that God will do a mighty work in and through our church as we trust Him with the fourth phase of our plan, paying down debt, as well as raising money for key mission initiatives and needed infrastructure improvements. Assuming a \$10 million campaign goal, our objective is as follows:

- Invest \$3 million into the mission
- Reduce debt by \$6 million
- Invest \$1 million into infrastructure projects



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By realizing the stewardship mandate, Northview Church will...

[MISSION]

- Start three new Northview Church satellite campuses
- Construct three homes with Habitat for Humanity
- Help maximize and develop three Horizon International orphan drop-in centers in Africa
- Assemble a million meals in three years with Kids Against Hunger
- Help International Justice Mission as they provide three vital years of aftercare to women and girls they rescue from commercial sexual exploitation around the world



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Our vision for reducing debt is all about stewardship, enabling us to free up resources for the purpose of God's mission for our church. By realizing this objective, we will...

[DEBT]

- Reduce our debt payback time by 17 years, from 23 to 6 years
- Save \$17 million in monthly payments
- Establish greater financial margin for fulfilling our God-given mission

Imagine the ministry we can do, in our community and around the world, with the \$1 million we will save each year!

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By realizing the stewardship mandate, Northview Church will...

[INFRASTRUCTURE]

- Make the Carmel campus more handicap accessible (elevator, automatic doors, ramps)
- Redesign & resource kids breakout rooms
- Improve & upgrade building, property and facilities



PRAYER



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Take some time as a group to pray for the following:

- Pray for the lives that will be impacted by ministries which will be made possible as financial resources are freed up as we reduce debt & provide needed infrastructure
- Pray for the families who will live in the three Habitat for Humanity Homes we build
- Pray for the families who are hurting and hungry that will be fed by the million meals with Kids Against Hunger
- Pray for the oppressed girls and women who will be rescued and cared for as we provide three years of aftercare through International Justice Mission
- Pray for the South African children who have lost their parents to AIDS who will receive help and hope as we maximize and develop three orphan drop in centers
- Pray for the lives that will be transformed and disciplined as a result of the three multisite campuses

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final thoughts from Steve