

**Sunday Sermon Review: Week of January 31st, 2021**

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**Speaker: Pastor Choco De Jesus**

## **Icebreaker**

- What's your cellphone wallpaper, and why?

## **Conversation Starters and Sermon Review**

- What item have you had to mark with identification, so it wouldn't get taken? Why did you mark the item?

### **I. Marked**

Have your group read 1 Cor. 2:9, and Eph. 1:13-14, and 2 Cor. 1:21-22

- What things in your life are you trying to use to fill the space that can only be filled by God (politics, social media, finances, etc.)?

“Understanding can wait, obedience cannot.”

-Pastor Choco De Jesus

- What is something that God has asked you to do, that you've been putting off? Why haven't you done it yet?
- How has God redirected your path? Do you like it, or not?
- Did you adopt the “Less is More” mindset for 2021? What do you think you're longing for?
- Where do you see yourself along the scale of “reading, hearing, and walking with the Holy Spirit” from Eph. 1:13-14? What do you need to do, to reach that next step?

## II. Sealed

Have your group read 2 Cor. 1:20, and Gal. 5:22-23

- God speaks to us all the time; how do you know when God is speaking to you?
- How is God using your present struggles, hardships, and life challenges to fulfill His plan for your life?
- What are you settling for in your life now? What's holding you back from reaching for the "more" that God has for you?
- Think of Peter Luke 5:1-11. Do you recall a time where you were tired, and wanted to give up? What happened, and how did God show up for you?
- We want more of God, but we need to be empty so He can fill. What do you empty from your life, so that God can fill you?

## Act On It

**Encourage:** Jesus had options; He chose Peter to be a "fisher of men". Jesus has chosen YOU to be a part of His plan, to change the world through sharing the good news with others. God has marked you for more!! The Holy Spirit in you is His seal! As you empty your life of everything that's holding back, God will fill it with Himself, and give you destiny and purpose. God always uses what we lack to show His goodness! God never promised smooth sailing in this life, but He did promise a safe arrival!!

**Ask:** Ask God to highlight some of the junk in your life, and for the strength, courage and patience to remove it. Ask God to help you step out of the "shallows" and go deeper into the things He's called you to do. Ask God to help you say, "Ok" when He calls you to do something, instead of "Why?".

**Challenge:** Pick one thing in your "suitcase" that you can get rid of this week. Make a decision to remove it from your life, and fill that space with life-giving activity (Bible-reading, prayer, serving others).

## **Prayer Request and Prayer**

Lord, thank you that we don't have to be content where we are, and we don't have to settle for less. You created us, and destined us for more. We don't have to go to the world to have our needs met; we are fulfilled in Christ. Help us to recognize those areas that need to be emptied, give us the grace to empty them, and fill us with more of you. Open our eyes to where you are leading us now. Lead us away from the shallows into the deeper things you have for us. Help us remember that no matter how rough the storms of life get, you will guide us safely home. In Jesus name amen .