



# HOME CHURCH LIVE

## [HOME CHURCH LIVE - Keep Dreaming]

As Pastor Josh and Tammy welcomed in their amazing bundle of joy this weekend we were also reminded of the ways that the Lord is bursting at the seams to welcome us into His realities. He comes and meets us in the areas where we have and have not seen his promises fulfilled yet. Wherever you are in this journey, we believe that the Lord wants to reveal his heart to you as we share our his dreams with our church family.

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### LOOKING BACK:

#### **FAMILY TIME (25 min)**

- Vision Statement: Explain the vision of lifegroup/home church!
- Praise Reports & Prayer Requests: Share one of your facetimes or one encounter with Jesus this past week that you were really thankful for. What do you need prayer for this upcoming week?

### LOOKING UP:

## **WORSHIP (10 min)**

- Spend time in worship together.
- Some possible song suggestions focusing on the Lord's faithfulness

Unstoppable God:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YfzXHU0HOWI>

Future / Past:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MdiexUOYxMs>

Promises:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2xp9GhKYBGI>

## **BIBLE STUDY (25 min) :**

Isaiah 54 is a declaration of God's compassion for his people. It's a covenant of peace that ushers in the love of God as a healing remedy for man's sorrows. What a timely passage it is for us in the midst of the ongoing circumstances. Pastor Josh reminded us that: "Sometimes we have to believe in God's dream first before his reality will become our reality." Belief sometimes starts with something as simple as a verbal declaration of his promises.

Let's read, declare, and reflect on the faithfulness of God by looking at Isaiah 54:1-10 (ESV)

***1 "Sing, O barren one, who did not bear; break forth into singing and cry aloud,***

***you who have not been in labor!***

***For the children of the desolate one will be more than the children of her who is married," says the Lord.***

***2 "Enlarge the place of your tent, and let the curtains of your habitations be stretched out;***

***do not hold back; lengthen your cords and strengthen your stakes.***

***3 For you will spread abroad to the right and to the left, and your offspring will possess the nations and will people the desolate cities.***

***4 "Fear not, for you will not be ashamed; be not confounded, for you will not be disgraced;***

***for you will forget the shame of your youth, and the reproach of your widowhood you will remember no more.***

***5 For your Maker is your husband, the Lord of hosts is his name;***

*and the Holy One of Israel is your Redeemer, the God of the whole earth he is called.*

*6 For the Lord has called you like a wife deserted and grieved in spirit,*

*like a wife of youth when she is cast off, says your God.*

*7 For a brief moment I deserted you, but with great compassion I will gather you.*

*8 In overflowing anger for a moment I hid my face from you,*

*but with everlasting love I will have compassion on you," says the Lord, your Redeemer.*

*9 "This is like the days of Noah to me: as I swore that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth, so I have sworn that I will not be angry with you, and will not rebuke you.*

*10 For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but my steadfast love shall not depart from you, and my covenant of peace shall not be removed," says the Lord, who has compassion on you.*

Share from these questions:

- 1) What strikes you/stands out to you from this passage?
- 2) What do you learn about God?
- 3) What are some of the places that you need to "break forth into singing and crying aloud" (v. 1)?

## **LOOKING FORWARD (20-30 minutes in small groups)**

Pastor Josh had a great comment that he wouldn't blame Sarah for laughing at the promise of her bearing a child. There are obvious areas where our realities fall short and cause us to doubt the sovereignty of God, but the Lord wants to assure you of His dreams and realities. How have we limited God's realities from coming to pass over our lives? Have we clouded our dreams due to the realities of today? One of the main things that I've personally been challenged by is the ability to dream with the Lord again. Maybe it's your first time and maybe it's your thousandth time. Either way the Lord wants to encounter you and bring his realities into your dreams and into your realities.

- Take some time of reflection (either as a group or individually) to confess your own doubts. Take time to voice out the areas where we might have limited God's dreams for us because of our own human reasons.
- Verbally thank the Lord for the areas where he has answered with his realities over your lives. Share in small groups and use it as a time of declaration of His goodness.

- Dreaming for you and for the generations - spend the rest of your time grabbing a journal and labeling it as your dream journal/God's realities/or any other catchy title the Lord reveals to you! Take time to ask the Lord for his realities for you and then for the people and generations around you as well as those to come. \*\*Sometimes we limit our dreaming to just personal revelations. We encourage you to expand on this throughout the course of the week instead of it just being a 15-20 minutes exercise!\*\*
  - Asking for God's dreams and realities to come to pass also involves the submitting of our own dreams and realities knowing that He has better plans and avenues for us to be formed into.
  - Use this song as you are listening/writing/drawing in your dream journal - **Have My Heart:**  
<https://open.spotify.com/track/4uKxiQmGDhR1tBeBAu3zxn?si=-BvnK4j00uKjLefaTpH3zQ>

You love with no reservation  
 You're not looking for perfection  
 And there's no need in me pretending  
 I'll give You everything (x2)

You deserve my full attention  
 And nothing less than my devotion  
 Oh, speak to me and I will listen  
 I'll give You everything (x2)

*Oh-oh, oh-oh-oh-oh-oh*  
*You can have my heart (x2)*

Be the Lord of my emotions  
 Set me free from selfish motives  
 And search me till there's nothing hidden  
 And I'll give You everything  
 Yes, I'll give You everything

If You want my heart  
 You got it, You got it, You got it

If You want my yes  
 You got it, You got it, You got it

If You want my all  
 You got it, You got it, You got it

## KIDS LESSON SUGGESTION

Pastor Josh and Tammy were able to show us their amazing new baby boy Caleb this past Sunday! Can you believe that you were that small and amazingly cute just a couple of years ago? As Pastor Josh was sharing about God's dreams for our lives it might seem like it's too big or far away from where you're at. Don't believe that! The Lord has the same if not bigger dreams just for you! Simply take some time to ask Him about what they are. Let's dig into this passage and see what type of covenants/promises that the Lord wants to dream up for you.

### Isaiah 55:1-3 (ESV)

**1** "Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

**2** Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

**3** Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

1. What stands out to you from this passage?
2. What do you learn about God? What do you learn about yourself?
3. Why do you think people spend money on things that are not bread?
4. What do you think an everlasting covenant/promise is?
  - a. What are some examples you've seen in the Bible or in life?
  - b. Has the Lord made any covenants/promises with you or your family?  
(Parents/leaders: be prepared to share some promises that the Lord has given to you or your family if the kids ask!)

**Weekly Challenge** - Take some practical time to ask the Lord what covenants He wants to make with your child/children! Find a journal that they can decorate as their "dream journal, promise keeper, or God's realities" book.

Turn on their favorite worship album or visit one of our playlists on spotify:

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/5HdCMleurID1V8l8zpls1x?si=1MUGRtQuSlyKFgnmB1wC3Q>

Let them go back and visit this over time to see what the Lord has spoken over them and over your families.

### WRAP UP:

- Take the last bit of time to worship together with this song:

- **Yes and Amen:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=10UZtPjSR54>
- Close in a time of prayer for them over the promises of the Lord.