



Message in the Music 5/6

First Baptist Student Ministry - Wednesday, August 1, 2018

Intro Video = "Message In The Music 2018 Intro" (0:12)

Tonight we will conclude this summer's Message In The Music series in a unique way... we're going to combine our last two songs and artists into one sermon. So, get ready for your double dose of awesomeness, from Crowder and Bethel!

I. All My Hope Is In Jesus

a. Meet These Musicians



- i. *David Wallace Crowder* = age 46, singer, songwriter, multi-instrumentalist and author (2 books). (pic)
- ii. He was the lead singer in the now defunct David Crowder Band. 1996-2012 = 16 singles through 6 studio albums, 2 live albums, 4 EPs and a compilation album
- iii. In 2012, Crowder began a solo career on sixstepsrecords and Sparrow Records labels, and released his first solo album *Neon Steeple* on May 27, 2014 (single "I Am")
- iv. *American Prodigal*, Crowder's second solo album, was released on September 23, 2016.
- v. *Tauren Wells* = age 32, founding member of band Royal Taylor, in 2014, Wells, along with his wife, launched the Prisma Worship Arts School (a private music academy with multiple locations in the Houston area), in January 2017, Wells released the maxi single, "Hills and Valleys"

b. Meet This Message

- i. "All My Hope" is a prodigal story reminding us that we all stray away from God and He still welcomes us back with open arms when we come back to Him!
- ii. Think about "hope" for a moment.
 1. When I say hope, are you thinking "I hope everything thing is okay"? "Hope" = wishful thinking/Disney dreaming?
 2. No! Hope = faith / belief / confidence!

(pic of burning house on screen) It's like that story of a family was awakened by their smoke detector in the middle of the night to discover that their house was on fire. The father ran into the upstairs bedroom of his children and carried his eighteen-month-old baby in his arms while dragging his four-year-old son by the hand.

They were halfway down the stairs when the little boy remembered that he had left his teddy bear in the bedroom, so he broke free from his father's hand and ran back to the bedroom to retrieve it. In the furor and confusion, the father didn't notice that his son wasn't with him until he got outside. By now the little boy was trapped by the flames and smoke in his second-story bedroom. Smoke swirled around him and he coughed and cried out from the upstairs window, "Daddy, Daddy! Help me!"

His father yelled from below, "Jump out of the window, Andy! I'll catch you!" In the darkness and smoke, the little boy yelled back, "But Daddy! I can't see you!"

Daddy shouted back, "That's okay, son. I can see you! Jump!"

There is a true saying that goes, "I don't know what the future holds, but I do know who holds the future." Do you worry about the future? Are you afraid of what you can't see? Does it seem dark and smoky? None of us can see what lies ahead, but God tells us to trust him and "jump!"

3. Let me allow Crowder to paint the picture for you as he talks about this song...

Video = "Crowder- Story Behind The Song "All My Hope" (2:26)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PI7gVWkKuT0>

- iii. So, no matter how far you have run away like the Prodigal Son from Luke 15, see this picture of God:
- iv. **Luke 15:20 = "So he returned home to his father. And while he was still a long way off, his father saw him coming. Filled with love and compassion, he ran to his son, embraced him, and kissed him."** (NLT)

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- v. This is a picture of complete forgiveness!
 1. "yesterday's gone", "all sins forgiven"

2. Your shackles and chains are broken = like my sermon years ago with these handcuff (hold up handcuff shadow box)
- vi. Ever felt down on your knees? That's the perfect position to pray! You are no longer a slave to sin!!

II. I'm No Longer A Slave To Fear

a. Meet These Musicians



- i. Bethel Music (logo on screen) is an American worship group from Redding, California, where they started making music in 2001, at Bethel Church. They focus on producing worship songs and albums that are largely written and recorded by members of their Artist Collective (includes North Carolinians Josh Baldwin and Jonathan and Melissa Helser [leaders of this song], Cory Asbury [Reckless Love guy], Leeland, and more)
- ii. 36 albums between them all (2001-2018)
- iii. 2015 = "We Will Not Be Shaken" includes the powerful song, "No Longer Slaves". Listen to how this song and video came about:

Video = "No Longer Slaves (Song Story) - Jonathan & Melissa..." (2:51)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cWl6lhodTMI>

b. Meet This Message

- i. This is also what I want to declare over you, over this generation tonight, as we get ready for another school year... you are no longer slaves. You are His children (His sons and daughters).
- ii. Picture yourself in the sandals of these Israelites:

Exodus 14:12-17, 21-22 = "Didn't we tell you this would happen while we were still in Egypt? We said, 'Leave us alone! Let us be slaves to the Egyptians.

It's better to be a slave in Egypt than a corpse in the wilderness!"

13 But Moses told the people, "Don't be afraid. Just stand still and watch the Lord rescue you today. The Egyptians you see today will never be seen again.

14 The Lord himself will fight for you. Just stay calm." 15 Then the Lord said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me? Tell the people to get moving! 16 Pick

up your staff and raise your hand over the sea. Divide the water so the Israelites can walk through the middle of the sea on dry ground. 17 And I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they will charge in after the Israelites.

My great glory will be displayed through Pharaoh and his troops, his chariots, and his charioteers... 21 Then Moses raised his hand over the sea, and the Lord opened up a path through the water with a strong east wind. The wind blew all that night, turning the seabed into dry land. 22 So the people of Israel walked through the middle of the sea on dry ground, with walls of water on each side!"

- iii. What freedom, what deliverance!
- iv. Even the Psalms declare His love in this...
 1. **Psalm 136:13** = "Give thanks to him who parted the Red Sea. His faithful love endures forever." (NLT)
- v. So... listen up! If you find yourself in need of deliverance, if you feel a slave to your fear, if you need to be liberated, if you need to be reminded that He is all around you... this is your song. Worship:

Music Video = "No Longer Slaves (LIVE) – Jonathan..." (6:16)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XxkNj5hcy5E>

c. Meet The Messiah

- i. You are NO LONGER a slave to fear/sin/whatever, you are a child of God.
- ii. "Born again" = His blood runs through your veins!
- iii. You are drown in perfect love! (**Micah 7:19**)
- iv. So, now you have a reason to stand and sing, you have been rescued = ACT LIKE IT! BE FREE!
 1. This Savior, this Messiah (which means "Liberator") has freed you. Live it out!
 2. All your hope is in this Messiah
 3. You are no longer a slave

**"Freedom is the right to be wrong, not the right to do wrong."
 (John Diefenbaker)**

We have all done wrong, but now we are free indeed...

"So if the Son sets you free, you are truly free." (John 8:36, NLT)

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II. I'm No Longer A _____ To _____

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c. Meet The _____

- Micah 7:19 / John 8:36

Learn more at CrowderMusic.com and BethelMusic.com





Message in the Music 4

First Baptist Student Ministry - Wednesday, July 18, 2018

Intro Video = "Message In The Music 2018 Intro" (0:12)

Tonight we continue our Message in the Music series with a young lady who teaches us about love, purity, fear, and being "Brave"! Meet Moriah Peters...

I. The Music Of The Brave

a. Introducing This Woman

- i. Moriah Castillo Peters (born October 2, 1992) ([pic on screen](#))
- ii. From Pomona, California and raised in Chino, California and Ontario, California
- iii. In 2012, Peters released the album entitled I Choose Jesus, her first full-length studio album.
- iv. Released 2nd album (Brave) July 2014
- v. In 2017, she joined forces with Jesi Jones (piano) and Julie Melucci (guitar) to form the band TRALA
- vi. Peters was on American Idol (more details soon)
- vii. Peters was the singing voice of Vanna Banana on the VeggieTales movie Princess and the Popstar.
- viii. She appeared in her first film, Because of Gracia, that was released in 2017

b. Introduced To Jesus

- i. More important than any Christian singer is the One they sing to and about.
- ii. "Moriah first turned her life over to God at the young age of fourteen, and growing up in Chino, California,



she always considered singing and songwriting her passion, but never imagined that making music would be her career. "After high school, my 'genius plan' was to go to college, major in psychology, minor in music and eventually become a lawyer," she said. "Thankfully, I prayed one of the most important and dangerous prayers I've ever prayed, 'God, I just want to be used by you.'" (Air1.com)

iii. Have you prayed that "dangerous" prayer yet??

c. Introduced To Joel

- i. Peters auditioned for American Idol, but the judges—Simon Cowell, Randy Jackson, and Avril Lavigne—were harsh to her because of her wholesome image, telling her to experience life ("kiss a boy") before entering the music industry. Peters had a 'no kissing' rule and believed in waiting for marriage to kiss anyone. (Wikipedia.org)
- ii. Which she did... she married Joel (one of the brothers from For King and Country) & kissed him for the first time on their wedding day.
- iii. For the romantics out there... how did they meet and get engaged? Listen to this Way FM interview:



Video = "How Joel from for King & Country Met..." (2:09)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cI9EqOP0-Os>

- iv. What a testimony of purity and true love. I wish we heard more about young ladies saving themselves (even their kisses) until marriage. Be those ladies!!
- v. But, more than her music, Moriah has a message for us through her music. Be brave!

II. The Life Of The Brave

a. Stepping Out Of Your Comfort Zone

- i. Are you tied and fed up with being anxious, being afraid? Listen to what Moriah says about fear:

Video = "Behind The Music - "Oh Fear (My God Is Near)..." (1:21)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GqzDtmMYIEk>

- ii. "Stand strong"... "Be bold"... "step out of your comfort zone" to do more than you ever think or imagine you can.
- iii. Ephesians 3:20-21 = "Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus

throughout all generations, for ever and ever!
Amen." (NIV)

iv. Are you ready to be brave? Courageous?

b. Stepping Into This Courageous Life

i. Let's dissect this song before I share it with you, and find the Biblical meaning within it together...

Joshua 1:9 = "This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

- ii. To be **strong** means to be a "soldier" or a "warrior", to be **courageous** means that you "won't stop" no matter what, that you will be "bolder"
- iii. Oppositely, to be **afraid or discouraged** means that you are letting those worries weight you down.
- iv. What's weighing you down tonight?
 - 1. Proverbs 12:25 = "Worry weighs a person down; an encouraging word cheers a person up." (NLT)
 - 2. Push-up contest (pic on screen) = volunteer on stage to do push-ups, then add other volunteers on their back, gets harder, worry
- v. We need not worry because our God takes the "impossible" and makes it possible!
 - 1. Luke 18:27 = "What is impossible for people is possible with God." (NLT)
- vi. So, if worry is weighing you down, if you want to be that soldier, warrior, if you're ready to be stronger and bolder, to see God do the impossible, and to walk in Him fearlessly, be brave... this is your song!



Music Video = "Moriah Peters - BRAVE (Official Music Video)" (4:09)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mm9UOlMxo>

c. Stepping On Without Turning Back

i. Did you catch that bridge, a throw-back to the old hymn, "I Have Decided"? Have you? Will you follow even if you are alone, even when your cross is heavy, even with the world behind you?

Close with song... "I Have Decided"



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- Have you prayed that “dangerous” prayer yet?

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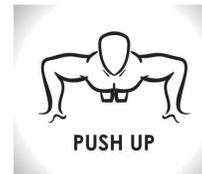
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c. Stepping On With _____



Learn more about Moriah Peters at MoriahPeters.com or TralaMusic.com



Message in the Music 3

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Intro Video = "Message In The Music 2018 Intro" (0:12)

Tonight I want to invite you to start over! We all sin, we all struggle, and we all wish we had a blank slate, don't we? Let me allow my friend, Flame, to help us with that...

I. Why There Is A Rapper Named Flame

a. Let's Meet This Rapper

- i. Marcus Tyrone Gray (born September 16, 1981) (pic)
- ii. American Christian hip hop recording artist with Clear Sight Music (his own record label)
- iii. Flame has been nominated for several Dove & Stellar Awards throughout his music career & Our World: Redeemed was nominated for a Grammy Award.
- iv. Albums = Flame (2004), Rewind (2005), Our World: Fallen (2007), Our World: Redeemed (2008), Captured (2010), The 6th (2012), Royal Flush (2013), Forward (2015), and God Knows (March 2018)

Video = "Why is your name Flame?" (1:53)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K4GAZ4T1-YE>

- v. Needless to say... Flame has been very successful!
- #### b. Let's Talk About Rap Music
- i. Some of you may not like rap or hip hop music.
 - ii. I know my mom always called it "rap crap"



- iii. But, think about what this man of God has to say:

Video = "FLAME Talks, "Christian Rap or Artistic Rappers..." (3:43)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZN7z1nL1Ems>

- iv. Don't want to do anything that offends God
- v. Rap has its place, "Christian rappers" (Christians who are rappers)
 1. "God's Plan" = with cursing? Not God's plan!
- vi. Leverage their platforms for the sake of the Gospel (film, fashion, politics, etc)
- vii. Have the heart to think about the state of people's souls. This is what we all should be thinking about!

II. When Your Life Goes Up In Flames

a. Ever Wish You Could Start Over?

- i. Sometimes we just feel like our lives are going up in flames, like everything around us is burning down.
- ii. If only we could hit the "restart" button.
- iii. That's what this song explains to God's people:

Music Video = "'Start Over" - FLAME feat. NF - Official Video" (3:20)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ms1uqDX6wXY>

b. We All Need A Blank Page!

- i. This song is a mantra for those who struggle with regret, who have backslidden, who are burdened who need to be able to start over

III. The Flames Of Sin Cannot Harm Us Anymore

a. Problem: We All Struggle With Sin

- i. Let's get specific, what are some sins teenagers struggle with (you or others you know)? (Students share, write on doodle pad)
- ii. What are we to do about this sin problem ALL of us face? Did you hear the reference to several passages in the Bible throughout this song?
- iii. If your heart is troubled:

John 14:1 = "Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me." (NLT)

- iv. If you are in need of forgiveness:

Micah 7:19 = "You will trample our sins under your feet and throw them into the depths of the ocean!" (NLT)

- v. If you are burdened and need rest:

Matthew 11:28 = "Then Jesus said, 'Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.'" (NLT)

vi. If you feel captive and need freedom:

Luke 4:18 = "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free." (NLT)

b. Solution: Jesus Takes Care Of It All

- i. Whatever you need (regardless of whatever you have done), your answer is Jesus.
- ii. Think about this doodle pad full of sin and watch:

Video = "Start Over" (Jamice Ivie, 4:08)

- iii. Did you catch that?
- iv. **Matthew 26:28** = "for this is my blood, which confirms the covenant between God and his people. It is poured out as a sacrifice to forgive the sins of many." (NLT)
- v. This is what wipes us clean (our eraser bar!)
 1. "What can wash away my sins? Nothing but the blood of Jesus."
- vi. Our sin is erased = **erase doodle pad!** Gone!!
- vii. Let this closing passage set you free from the bondage of your sin. Listen intently:

1 Corinthians 1:26 = "Everything that we have—right thinking and right living, a clean slate and a fresh start—comes from God by way of Jesus Christ." (MSG)



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Learn more about FLAME at Clearsightmusic.com



Message in the Music 2

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Intro Video = "Message In The Music 2018 Intro" (0:12)

Tonight we continue this whole finding God's message in some really cool music (our Message in the Music series) with another newcomer and his song about Jesus being enough! He is enough.

I. Enough With That Useless Music

a. The Man

- i. Who is Branan Murphy? ([pic on screen](#))
- ii. Henry "Hank" Branan Murphy grew up in Louisville, GA, first listening to The Beach Boys as a kid and then writing songs and singing in church while in high school.
- iii. Let me let him give you some fun facts about himself from these random questions in this shotgun interview:

Video = "Branan Murphy Shotgun Interview" (2:07)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t7ijlvAKmH8>

b. The Music

- i. By age 18, he released two independent projects. After moving to Raleigh-Durham, NC in 2011 he released a mixtape called SMPLFY resulting in signing with Sony/Provident's Essential Records.



- ii. On September 22nd, 2017 Murphy released his second single "Enough" with producer Jordan Sapp.
- iii. Murphy's third and most recent single, "Talk About It" was released March 16, 2018.

c. The Message

- i. On April 21, 2017, Murphy released his first single on Sony, "All the Wrong Things." Murphy says about the song, "...I write songs about what it's like to be human – my own brand of 'conscious pop'. We are all complex people. We have struggles. We have contradictions. We have deep desires. We are all seeking to be loved, understood and satisfied. My songs attempt to capture those deep emotional, even spiritual, yearnings we have as human beings. The bottom line is that I want to make great art, but most of all I want to be honest. I want to sing about what people are really going through..."
- ii. The song featured The Voice season 8 finalist Koryn Hawthorne.
- iii. This is a man who loves God and wants to make music so you can love God more too!
- iv. Think about it... how does the music you listen to most often make you feel? ([Students share](#))
 1. A lot of the music we listen to only satisfies for a moment. Which is kind of pointless or useless, really. I want you to listen to music that is not useless (has a purpose)!

II. Enough In A Song

a. Hear The Music

- i. Pay close attention to the words and the images you hear and see in this song. This is "Enough":

Music Video = "Branan Murphy - Enough (Official Lyric Video)" (3:26)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=95677XLpZQQ>

b. See The Message

- i. There were subliminal messages all throughout this music video. Did you catch some of the images spinning around throughout? What did you see/remember? ([Students name them](#))
 1. TV, diamonds, headphones (music), money, playing cards (gambling), clock (time), video game controller (games), girl dancing
- ii. What do you think all these images represent? ([Students share](#))
 1. These are the distractions in our lives!

- iii. Listen to some of these lyrics from this song "Enough":
 1. "Love like this could never be a phase" (who are you loving more?)
 2. "Eyes on the score... Took my eyes off the ball" (where's your focus?)
 3. "I'm so caught up..." (what are you caught up with?)
- iv. The main question of this song, what we need to ask of our lives: When do you stop being enough?
 1. Revelation 2:4 = "...that you have left your first love." (NASB)
- v. So, what is enough for you?...

III. Jesus Is Enough

a. Preeminence

- i. Let me teach you a new word:

Colossians 1:17-18 = "And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 18 And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent." (ESV)

- ii. Preeminent defined = "distinguished, famous, well-known, dominant"
- iii. It's about what is most important in your life!
- iv. Is Jesus really enough for you? Listen to one of my favorite preachers, Matt Chandler unpack this:

Video = "Jesus Is Enough – Sermon Jam Matt Chandler" (4:08)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DlfAEup-4wM>

- v. Listen to that final verse on the screen once more: **2 Corinthians 6:10** = "Having nothing, and yet possessing everything"
- vi. Jesus is enough!
- vii. More than your retweets, your Instagram likes, or snapchat followers, your car, your job, your goals, your grades, your polarity, your perfect family, your new "stuff", your money, your happiness...
- viii. Jesus is enough!

b. Priority

- i. When did He stop being enough for you?
- ii. Tonight, let's make sure He is your priority. He is preeminent = priority / most important!

Recommit to Him tonight (He is enough)!

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I. Enough With That _____ Music

a. The _____

- Who is Branan Murphy?
- Age 18 = releases first record
- September 2017 = "Enough"



Video = "Branan Murphy Shotgun Interview" (2:07)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t7ijlvAKmH8>

b. The _____

c. The _____

- "The bottom line is that I want to make great art, but most of all I want to be honest. I want to sing about what people are really going through..."

II. Enough In A _____

a. _____ The Music

Music Video = "Branan Murphy - Enough (Official Lyric Video)" (3:26)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=95677XLpZQQ>

b. _____ The Message

- The main question of this song, what we need to ask of our lives: When do you stop being enough?
- Revelation 2:4

III. _____ Is Enough

a. _____

Colossians 1:17-18 = "And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 18 And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent." (ESV)

- Preeminent = "distinguished, well-known, dominant"

Video = "Jesus Is Enough – Sermon Jam Matt Chandler" (4:08)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DifAEup-4wM>

- 2 Corinthians 6:10

b. _____

- Tonight let's recommit to Him

Learn more about Branan Murphy at BrananMurphy.com



Message in the Music 1

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Intro Video = "Message In The Music 2018 Intro" (0:12)

Welcome back to our fifth summer of getting to know some awesome songs from some awesome musicians. More importantly, getting to know the messages of God's truth and love through these songs. We're going to kick it up a notch to begin this summer's Message in the Music series...

I. Getting To Know The Young Escape

a. Meet Their Family

- i. They are an electronic pop band from Southern California, composed of siblings Ryan, McKenna, Kyrsten, and Luke Johns (pic on screen).
- ii. The band signed to Capitol Christian Music Group in 2017 and released a debut single "Good Life" in October 2017. The band supported Crowder (musician) on the American Prodigal Tour beginning in the Fall of 2017.

b. Meet Their Mission

- i. One important thing to consider when listening to music is... why is this artist/band making music?
- ii. Most of the junk we listen to nowadays is because artists want to sell records and make money
- iii. "For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil." (1 Timothy 6:10, NLT)
- iv. This band (and those we will hear from this summer) are different! They are in it for more...



v. Why do these kids do it? Listen to their story:

Video = "The Young Escape – Our Story" (1:20)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CFZPyQU3YeY>

vi. Do you hear why they do it?

1. To "help people"
2. "It's fun" = Don't forget to have fun!
3. "To help people to escape from whatever is holding them down and to dream like they are young again!"

c. Meet Their Music

- i. Their website (theyoungescape.com) says: "Hailing from Southern California, THE YOUNG ESCAPE (Capitol) delivers a fresh shot of EDM-infused Indie pop with the energetic live show to match. Comprised of siblings Ryan, McKenna, Kyrsten, and Luke Johns, the band's debut singles "good life" and "neverfade" are an alchemy of modern pop sheen and sophisticated edge, carried to otherworldly heights by McKenna's vocal. With an average age of 18, TYE speaks to the themes of insecurity, anxiety, and pressure facing every kid in the modern age with the hope and escape that's found in the kinetic spirit of youth."

II. Getting To Know The Good Life

a. Sometimes Life Doesn't Feel That Good...

- i. You good? (Ask students, reply?)
- ii. You say you are "good", but the Bible says no one is good = "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good - except God alone." (Mark 10:18, NIV)
- iii. But the good news is that we have God in us... which makes us good. This is the good life...
- iv. No matter where you find yourself tonight, God can pull you into the "Good Life". Listen to this:

Music Video = "The Young Escape: Good Life (Official Video)" (3:06)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I5JkzYrDY04>

b. ...But God Makes It Good...

- i. Maybe you are asking yourself tonight, like this song says... "How did I get this far?"
- ii. When we do life God's way... we find "healing", we find "peace", we find the "good life" and we need never look back.

- iii. But, we do look back at our old life sometimes. This song eludes to "Chasing all the things that left me dead inside."
 1. Can you think of some things people chase which leave us empty or "dead" inside? (Students share)
 2. Who is the only One who "satisfies"? (Students share) = Jesus!
 - a. But, do we really believe that?

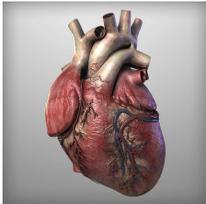
c. ...Even In The Dark

- i. Can we turn the lights out for a moment? (Lights off, phones off)
- ii. Life can be dark sometimes, feeling down or depressed... not sure where you are going.
 1. This song refers to God pulling us through the dark, out of the dark, where He wants us...
 2. John 8:12 = "I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life." (NLT)
- iii. Let's walk in light (flashlight), in this new identity:

Video = "Identity" (Jamice Ivey, 1:35)

III. Getting To Know Your New Heart

a. Your New Heart



- i. Life is tough, but this song proclaims: God "still you hold my heart... Gave me something that was way beyond me... living with the heart that is free"
- ii. This is the new heart God promised us in **Ezekiel 36:26** = "I will give you a new heart, and will put a new spirit in you..." (NLT)
- iii. **Heart pic on screen** = think about this... this little organ beating inside your chest is keeping you alive right now. Gross! I'm not talk about this heart.. I'm talking about everything you are = NEW!

b. Your New Clothes

- i. It's like putting on new clothes. Look at this:

Ephesians 4:24 = "Put on your new nature, created to be like God - truly righteous and holy." (NLT)

- ii. Take off my jeans and shirt, revealing a t-shirt that says "NEW" on it...

Here's my prayer journal the other morning = "Every morning I wake up, take a shower, and put on clean clothes. Why can't I envision myself doing this with

the righteousness and holiness God calls me to each day? The difference is that this only requires one wardrobe change. These "new clothes" will never go out of style, never fade, and never get tiresome. They are the garments of Jesus (not His physical clothing but the character of Him I am being conformed to). I am called to take off my old clothes, my old self, and lay them aside. This means I need to shed the garments that make me comfortable in this world and begin dressing like those in the Kingdom of God. So, here's the difficult question: does my "attire" fit better with the culture of the world or with the culture of the Kingdom? This morning, and every morning, I will put on my new self, clothed in righteousness and holiness. After all, I am no longer dressing to fit in this world but to be fit for the Kingdom of God!"

**We have the good life, it's about time we started living it out!
It all begins with your heart. (Closing song = Here's my heart, Lord!)**

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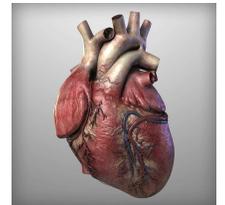
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