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I. Introduction

- a. If the tomb is empty, then why are our mouths empty?
 - b. Why are we not declaring the gospel of Jesus Christ to others?
 - i. Because of one of the biggest lies in American Christianity.
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1 Corinthians 15:14 - And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty. 15 Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up--if in fact the dead do not rise. 16 For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen. 17 And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins! 18 Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. 19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable. 20 But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

II. Our faith is not futile, it is factual.

- a. Our faith is factual.
 - b. Futile = incapable of producing any result; ineffective; useless; not successful
 - c. The fact of His resurrection.
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III. Our faith is not empty, it is full of power.

- a. Our faith is full of power.
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Romans 1:16 - For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.

IV. Our faith is not only for the mature, it is foundational.

- a. Our faith is foundational.
 - b. Our faith is based on the foundation of Christ.
 - c. The Stone
 - i. The Stone has been rolled away. (Mark 16:1-6)
 - ii. Declaring the testimony of God concerning His Son Jesus Christ is not based on the law of commandments. It is not based on our works, our achievements, or our maturity. It is based on the fact of the witness of God, full of the power of God, and to be foundational our testifying.
 - iii. The big lie:
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- iv. Testify = to bear witness to; affirm as fact or truth; attest.
 - v. The foundation of the message is Christ not the messenger.
 1. We preach Christ not ourselves. (2 Corinthians 4:5)
 2. The power of the message is in the person the message is about, not in the person declaring the message.
 3. The overcoming life of Christ is present in His gospel.
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WELCOME!

If you have questions, please stop by the NEXT STEPS table in the foyer or look for a team member. If we can help you in any way, please email us at dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com.

Our strategy at DPC: Gather (Gatherings), Group (Connect Groups), Grow (Growth Phases), Give (Giving/Gifting Teams), Go (Outreach)

GATHER

Sundays in May - 9a + 11a
What Would Jesus Undo?

We've all heard the question 'what would Jesus do?' We wore the bracelets, the t-shirts, and even asked ourselves that question as a way to make sure our beliefs matched up with our actions. But have you ever thought about the questions 'What Would Jesus Undo?' What would He undo in the world we live in? What would He not do? What would He undo in us? If Jesus is undoing something in our life, we can be sure of a few things. It's for our good, it's for His glory, and ultimately He has something better for us. Let the undoing begin.

Monday, June 6 - Thursday,
June 9 - 9a -12p - DPKids
Mission: Deep Sea VBS

Mission: Deep Sea VBS makes its way to DPKids on June 6-9 from 9AM-12PM daily! It's going to be a blast learning that our faith grows deeper when we spend time with God, spend time with others, use our gifts to serve, and share our stories of faith. Register today at the Next Steps table! Ages preschool (3) - Elementary (5th grade)

GROUP

Sunday, May 15 -
Connect Group Night

If you would like to join a connect group, please visit the Next Steps table in the lobby.

GROW

Thursday, May 19 -7p - 9p
Night Six of our Spring
Semester of Growth Phases

Join us for the sixth night of our spring semester of Growth Phases. We can't wait to see all the Lord will do in and through your life this session!

GIVE

"His Blueprint" Capital
Campaign - He Has Chosen Us!
We encourage each of you to continue to ask God what He would have you give to our capital campaign!

Goal by June 2022
\$220,000

Commitment Levels:
One time Legacy Gifts
20K - Gold Legacy Gift
10K - Silver Legacy Gift
1K - Precious Stone Legacy Gift

Monthly Pledges
\$500, \$250, \$150, \$50

Did you know you can give via text? Just text any dollar amount to 84321 to give. You will follow a quick, self-guided setup process to tie your mobile phone to our church, your donor account, and a payment source. After that, donating is as easy as sending a text.

GO

Be on the lookout for more
opportunities to serve our
community in the upcoming weeks!