

PART 10

BREAKFAST WITH JESUS

WHAT TO DO WHEN THE ENEMY APPROACHES

MESSAGE NOTES:

GO DEEP GUIDE

SERMON RECAP

When the enemy approaches, fear can rise, and faith can waver. But Jesus shows us how to stand strong when the inevitable comes. He calls us to rest in His presence, knowing that peace comes from His nearness, not our circumstances. He reminds us to rejoice in the big picture, trusting that God is working even when we can't see it. And He teaches us to use the enemy's power against him, turning every attack into an opportunity for the greater victory.

ICEBREAKER

When the inevitable approaches in your life, what is your default response? Why do you think that is?

"REST IN MY PRESENCE"

READ JOHN 14:27

How have you experienced the "peace the world cannot give" in your life?

Where have you tried to buy or manufacture peace that failed?

"REJOICE IN THE BIG PICTURE!"

READ VERSES 28-29

Why does Jesus say that the disciples should be happy that He is going to the Father?

What is one way you can practice "big-picture faith" this week — choosing to rejoice in God's purpose even when circumstances point to loss?

"USE SATAN'S OWN POWER AGAINST HIM"

READ VERSES 30-31

Pastor Joe used a Judo analogy to show how Jesus used Satan's own power against him. He could have stopped Satan's scheme, but instead, used it for the greater good. How can this help you reframe the enemy's attacks against you?

Which tactics (fear, shame, accusation, temptation, division) is Satan using against you now — and how do you think God wants you to "pivot" (respond)?

SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

John 14:27 (NLT) — "I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid."

ACTION STEP

ACTION STEP: (Practical Pivots — daily, measurable, and relational) Choose 1 or 2 pivots to practice this week. Write them down, share with someone in your iron group, and report back next meeting.

1. **Daily Declare Freedom** (1–2 minutes each morning)
   - **Speak out loud:** "In Jesus' name I renounce [name the chain]. I claim freedom and choose Christ's truth."
   - **Example**: "In Jesus' name I renounce shame. I am forgiven and loved."
   - **Why?**: Naming the lie outs the tactic and replaces it with truth.

2. **Pursue Presence** (10 minutes daily)
   - Morning or evening: 5 minutes of worship + 5 minutes of listening prayer (silence, short Scripture, one sentence response).
   - Why: Builds the habit of receiving the peace Jesus gives rather than chasing momentary comforts.

3. **One Bold Pivot Action (this week)**
   - Pick one courageous, obedient move that counters the enemy's tactic: forgive someone, confess a sin to a trusted friend, share the gospel with one person, call someone who is isolated, or serve out of your pain.
   - Make it specific: Who, when, what. Do it. Tell your iron-group afterward.

IRON GROUPS

- **Break into gender specific groups for prayer and deeper reflection.**
  1. Share briefly (1–2 minutes each): name the "approach" you're facing (fear, temptation, accusation, conflict, etc.).
  2. Choose one pivot from the Action Step list you'll try this week and state it aloud.
  3. Pray for each other: ask for supernatural peace, a view of God's bigger picture, and courage to pivot into obedience. Close by agreeing on a specific check-in (text/email) before next meeting.

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