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## Bishop's Notes

### WALKING OUT THE POWER OF RESURRECTION

*Romans 8:11 - The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you.*

*1Cor. 15:12 - Now if Christ is preached, that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 But if there is no resurrection of the dead, not even Christ has been raised; 14 and if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is vain, your faith also is vain.*

### REVIEW

### THE WINNING POWER OF RESURRECTION

Resurrection, straightening from under again.

### TIME OF CELEBRATION

*Nehemiah 8:10 - And Nehemiah continued, "Go and celebrate with a feast of rich foods and sweet drinks, and share gifts of food with people who have nothing prepared. This is a sacred day before our Lord. Don't be dejected and sad, for the joy of the lord is your strength!"*

### HE IS ALIVE

**Revelation 1:17** - *When I saw him, I fell at his feet as if I were dead. But he laid his right hand on me and said, "Don't be afraid! I am the First and the Last.*

**Revelation 1:18** - *I am the living one. I died, but look—I am alive forever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and the grave.*

## **1. ON SUNDAY HE HOODWINKED/PLAYED THE ENEMY**

**1 Corinthians 2:7** - *No, the wisdom we speak of is the mystery of God—his plan that was previously hidden, even though he made it for our ultimate glory before the world began. 8 But the rulers of this world have not understood it; if they had, they would not have crucified our glorious Lord.*

## **2. ON SUNDAY, HE GAVE US THE VICTORY**

### **IF I AM STILL FIGHTING THEN I MUST HAVE VICTORY!**

**Romans 8:11** - The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, HE WILL GIVE LIFE to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you.

- SOFIA'S WORDS SOMETIMES MAKE US LAUGH AND SOMETIMES MAKE US CRY.....ALL MY LIFE I HAD TO FIGHT....DADDY, UNCLES, BROTHERS...A GIRL AINT SAFE IN MENS HOUSES...

## **3. ON SUNDAY WE CELEBRATE THE WIN**

- TOO MANY OF US THINK WE ARE LOSING BECAUSE WE ARE STILL FIGHTING

**1 Timothy 6:12** – *Fight the good fight for the true faith. Hold tightly to the eternal life to which God has called you, which you have declared so well before many witnesses.*

- THE FATHER MUST HAVE TAUGHT HIS SON HOW YOU WIN A 33 ROUND FIGHT. YOU DON'T WIN IN YEAR ONE, TWO OR THREE OR THIRTY.

## **ROCKY'S ADVICE TO ADONIS CREED:**

**“ONE STEP AT A TIME. ONE PUNCH AT A TIME. ONE ROUND AT A TIME....”**

### **1. THE POWER THAT RAISED HIM LIVES IN YOU**

***Romans 8:11** - The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you.*

- RECOGNIZE AND ACKNOWLEDGE THIS POWER
- REALIZE VALUE BASED ON WHATS INSIDE YOU
- HOW VALUABLE IS A BROWN PAPER BAG WITH ONE MILLION DOLLARS IN IT?

### **2. THE POWER THAT RAISED HIM FLOWS THROUGH YOU**

***John 7:37** - On the last day, the climax of the festival, Jesus stood and shouted to the crowds, “Anyone who is thirsty may come to me!”*

***John 7:38** - Anyone who believes in me may come and drink! For the Scriptures declare, ‘Rivers of living water will flow from his heart.’”*

***John 7:39** - (When he said “living water,” he was speaking of the Spirit, who would be given to everyone believing in him. But the Spirit had not yet been given, because Jesus had not yet entered into his glory.)*

- **DEEPEN THE FLOW BY CREATING THIRST**

**Matthew 5:6** - *God blesses those who hunger and thirst for justice, for they will be satisfied.*

- **CREATE THIRST BY DRINKING MORE**

**John 7:37-38** - *Anyone who is thirsty may come to me!  
38 Anyone who believes in me may come and drink! For the Scriptures declare, 'Rivers of living water will flow from his heart.'*”

### **3. THE POWER THAT RAISED HIM CAN BE APPLIED BY YOU**

**Acts of the Apostles 3:1** - *Peter and John went to the Temple one afternoon to take part in the three o'clock prayer service.*

**Acts of the Apostles 3:2** - *As they approached the Temple, a man lame from birth was being carried in. Each day he was put beside the Temple gate, the one called the Beautiful Gate, so he could beg from the people going into the Temple.*

**Acts of the Apostles 3:3** - *When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for some money.*

**Acts of the Apostles 3:4** - *Peter and John looked at him intently, and Peter said, "Look at us!"*

**Acts of the Apostles 3:5** - *The lame man looked at them eagerly, expecting some money.*

**Acts of the Apostles 3:6** - *But Peter said, "I don't have any silver or gold for you. But I'll give you what I have. In the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, get up and walk!"*

**Acts of the Apostles 3:7** - Then Peter took the lame man by the right hand and helped him up. And as he did, the man's feet and ankles were instantly healed and strengthened.

**Acts of the Apostles 3:8** - He jumped up, stood on his feet, and began to walk! Then, walking, leaping, and praising God, he went into the Temple with them.

- **THE NEED/HOPE CREATES THE OPPORTUNITY**
- **LOVE PUSHES THE POWER FORWARD**
- **FAITH WHEN SPOKEN RELEASES THE POWER**

Reflection: What are your key takeaways?

## Homework

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1. Identify three situations this week that might be “Resurrection power” opportunities.
2. Pray about one of those opportunities at least three times this week.
3. Find two verses of scripture that support us looking for opportunities to release God’s power.

**HINT:** There’s one at the end of Matthew ... :)