

MSG: LIVE. IN LOVE. WITH JESUS.

Scripture: 1 JOHN 4:11-17 NLT

NYE SUNDAY: 2024 LIVE IN LOVE WITH JESUS

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"Dear friends, since God loved us that much, we surely ought to love each other. No one has ever seen God. But if we love each other, God lives in us, and his love is brought to full expression in us. And God has given us his Spirit as proof that we live in him and he in us. Furthermore, we have seen with our own eyes and now testify that the Father sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. All who declare that Jesus is the Son of God have God living in them, and they live in God. We know how much God loves us, and we have put our trust in his love. God is love, and all who live in love live in God, and God lives in them. And as we live in God, our love grows more perfect. So we will not be afraid on the day of judgment, but we can face him with confidence because we live like Jesus here in this world."

Through 2023 with learned how to CONNECT LIKE JESUS

THROUGH RELATING LIKE JESUS.
BY REBUILDING LIKE JESUS,
THROUGH RESTORING LIKE JESUS
BY RECOVERING LIKE JESUS
AND FINALLY RELEASING LIKE JESUS!

And if we only do those things for the rest of our lives God would be pleased and people would be blessed.

BUT IT IS THE PROCESS OF GROWTH IN RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS THAT LEADS TO TRANSFORMATION

Over the next year we will learn to LIVE. IN LOVE. WITH JESUS.

1. LIVE!

Psalms 118:17 NASB2020

"I will not die, but live, And tell of the works of the Lord."

YOU HAVE ALREADY SURVIVED WHAT SHOULD HAVE KILLED YOU!

YOU HAVE ALREADY ENDURED WHAT SHOULD HAVE ENDED YOU!

YOU HAVE ALREADY GROWN THROUGH GROSS TRIALS!

BECAUSE HE LIVES IN YOU! YOU CAN LIVE!

Not simply survive, or simply exist

THIS YEAR YOU WILL LIVE!!

WHAT IS YOUR PLAN TO LIVE THIS YEAR?

WHY WILL YOU LIVE? Purpose.

WHAT WILL YOU LIVE FOR? Pursuits.

HOW WILL YOU LIVE? Plan.

WHO WILL YOU LIVE FOR? People.

2. IN LOVE!

1 John 4:17 NLT

"And as we live in God, our love grows more perfect. So we will not be afraid on the day of judgment, but we can face him with confidence because we live like Jesus here in this world."

...not in hate.

...or Retribution.

...or in regret.

...or in Retaliation.

...or in the past.

...or anger or frustration

...or in fear, in jealousy, in envy, in comparison.
...or in trauma, in stagnation, in my head..

I TRUST THE WORD OF LORD!

The love of God gives me the capacity to endure the pain of people.

The love of God gives me the motivation to keep moving when I feel like quitting.

The love of God gives me the stamina to endure the pressure of life when I feel like collapsing.

IN LOVE, BY LOVE, FOR LOVE!

I'M GONNA LOVE YOU WHEN EVEN YOU MISTREAT ME.
YOU SEE WE WERE SHAPED AND FASHIONED BY LOVE, I LIVE IN LOVE-

In constant place of approval and acceptance by Jesus.
Therefore we have no need to prove anything but can operate from a position of Peace while being sent to a chaotic world.

3. WITH JESUS!

1 Corinthians 3:5-9 NIV

"What, after all, is Apollos? And what is Paul? Only servants, through whom you came to believe—as the Lord has assigned to each his task. I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and they will each be rewarded according to their own labor. For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building."

CO—

With Him. Cooperatively.
Together.

In cooperation with.
In agreement with Jesus.
In alignment.
Dependently with.
Interdependent with Him.

-MY LIFE is your life!
My family is your family.
My spouse is yours.
My career. My business. My opportunities.
My relationship. My finances. My body. My hopes and dreams. THEY ARE YOURS

-THEREFORE YOU AND I foundational and finally have decided TO END THIS YEAR AND BEGIN ANEW WITH THIS SETTLED AND determined posture. That we're doing this together WITH JESUS!

-I've tried my way.
I've tried my agenda.
I've tried my plans.
I've tried to manage my life,
my relationships and MY career with my own plans!
But even my best attempts fall short of the divine plan and purpose of the Lord!

Proverbs 14:12 NASB2020

"There is a way which seems right to a person, But its end is the way of death."

I CAN Live boldly, know the truth & Walk in truth and know some things and it's not an expression of "I have it all figured out"....

We can be bold AND have understanding WHILE still not knowing many things AND those two can co-exist within us

That allows us to boast in our weakness- or our not knowing while still knowing that God is still for us and guiding us through different teachable experiences because We're WITH JESUS. Together. Collectively.

1 Corinthians 10:13 NASB2020

"No temptation has overtaken you except something common to mankind; and God is faithful, so He will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it."

HE IS WITH YOU!