

The Restful Life Far Beyond What We Ask or Think

I can do anything that the Father says to do (Ephesians 3:14-21). Because God has put eternity into our hearts, something within us longs to make a difference in the lives of others. When we walk closely with the Father and are yoked with Him, His power in us enables us to do those things that truly matter and have eternal impact. When we live in step with the Spirit, we can accomplish impossible things for the Kingdom of God.

GET THINGS STARTED

Most people want to make an eternal difference in the lives of people, but many struggle to believe they have what it takes. Why is that struggle so prevalent, and what is the lie of the enemy that so often immobilizes us? Why might God call us into impossible things or places that we cannot possibly handle on our own?

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GO DEEPER

1. According to Ephesians 3:20, God can do immeasurably more than we ask or think through His *power* that is at work in us. How does God's power work in and through us? What does that look like, and how do we best position ourselves for God to accomplish more than we could ask or think through us?
2. In Matthew 10:7-8, what impossible things did Jesus charge His followers to do in His name? What kinds of impossible things does Jesus charge His followers to do today? Is it the same, different, or both?
3. From Matthew 11:28-29, Jesus teaches that we are to take His yoke upon us. What does it mean to be yoked with Jesus? What does the imagery of a farming yoke tell us about how we are to relate to Jesus to accomplish that which is difficult or impossible?

MAKE IT PERSONAL

1. What impossible thing(s) does God want to accomplish in and through you in this season? What do you think are the biggest roadblocks to the process? What is your next step to what God is calling you into?
2. How much do you struggle to believe you have what it takes to make an eternal difference in the lives of others? What might it look like for God's power to work through you or through your family? Where has He uniquely positioned you at this point? What impossible issue or crisis do you have a passion to help in?
3. What is God stirring in you related to the Beltway Ministry Center and our effort to reach kids through daycare and counseling? What is your plan for our upcoming *We Love Our City* Halloween Outreach? Is there a short-term mission trip God wants you to be a part of this coming year?

PRACTICE IT NOW

Take time as a group to invite God to work powerfully in and through you. Ask God to accomplish far more than what you could ask or think, according to His Word. Ask Him to show you how to be properly yoked with Him so that He can maximize your Kingdom impact.

READING THIS WEEK: Chapters 12 & 13