

Uncharted

Week 1

The Adventure of a Spirit-Led Life

(Turtle on a Fence Post)

Scripture: Romans 8:9-17

Introduction:

- Emphasize that we are saved for more than just going to heaven.
- We are invited into a love relationship with the Father, Son, and Spirit (John 15:9, 17:23) and are part of God's plan for our generation (Ephesians 2:8-10).
- True fulfillment and purpose come from fulfilling God's plans, ultimately bringing glory to Him.

The Nature of a Spirit-Led Life:

- Expect disruption and disorientation when living a Spirit-led life.
- Reference **John 3:8 (NIV)**: The wind blows where it pleases, representing the sovereignty of the Spirit.

O Understanding the Wind:

- Where it is coming from (direction).
- Where it is going (destiny).

The Wild Goose:

- Celtic Christians referred to the Holy Spirit as "The Wild Goose," highlighting the untamed experiences in pursuing Him.
- The Spirit positions us for divine encounters—right places, right times, right people.

Illustration: A Turtle on a Fence Post

- A turtle on a fence post signifies it didn't get there by itself, illustrating the Spirit-led life.
 - Life experiences beyond our qualifications and expectations.
 - Belief in divine direction: "The steps of the righteous are ordered by the Lord" (Psalm 37:23-24).

Obeying the Spirit's Prompting:

- Importance of obedience to the Spirit's direction (Acts 8:26-40: Philip and the Ethiopian).
 - Our role: obeying the Spirit.
 - The Spirit's role: orchestrating divine connections.

Examples from Scripture:

- Biblical characters (like Nehemiah) were often called while engaged in other plans.
- Nehemiah's background as a cupbearer prepared him unexpectedly for leadership.

Personal Testimony:

- Reflect on the journey from a predetermined plan to embracing disruption.
- Realization that true faithfulness means being obedient to God's call, not clinging to personal plans (Acts 10: Peter and Cornelius).

Journey of Surrender:

- February 2019: Trip to Israel—a moment of letting go and surrendering control.
- Decision to move to Orlando, stepping into uncertainty with faith.
- God does not always call the qualified; He qualifies those He calls.

Conclusion:

- Growth comes from embracing God's vision for our lives and community.
- Reflect on their own surrender to God.

Altar Call:

- Invitation for prayer, focusing on:
 1. Surrendering one's life to God.
 2. Surrendering control over personal plans and ambitions.