

**Good News Series
Get Thee Up
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Opening

-**Whose voice**, meaning a person...whose voice is easily heard by you, not in the sense that you are willing to listen to them but that their actual physical voice is so tuned in to your brain that you will hear them in a crowded room...

-(talk about growing up in Varina and being miles away...but could here my Mom shouting "Frederick...")

-(playing sports...could always here their voice above the crowd)

-I've got Good News for you...God is supposed to be one of those voices for each of us. And I believe that 311 Selden Road is supposed to be a place where people learn to feel His presence and know His voice!

Introduction

-Somebody say "Get Thee Up!"

-Isaiah 40:9

1. Reading in NLT
2. Reading in NIV
3. Reading ESV
4. Reading KJV

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>Isaiah 40:9 (insert City Life Campus and 311 Selden Road)

-Let's have a personal Get Thee Up prayer for this place this year!

- Find me faithful...
- What's my part supposed to be...
- Am I doing everything I feel God is asking of me...

Bethel

-Genesis 28:10-19

-Catalyst Church

"We exist to disciple and send our members for gospel mission to Newport News and the nations."

We believe that every Christian is a disciple of Jesus. As a disciple of Jesus we are to follow and grow to be more like him. Ultimately, a disciple of Jesus is a disciple-maker of Jesus.

Disciples don't just grow up in Jesus, they also go out on mission with Jesus. We are part of Jesus' grand mission to save the world! We are convinced that a sending church is a multiplying church who will ultimately plant more churches.

-EpiCenter Church...Anchor Church...Myanmar International Church...

-For FIVE Churches...this is a Bethel space!

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-Genesis 28:10-11...He was just **on his way!**

1. How many people here every weekend are just on their way...
2. No expectation of something life changing...
3. No evidence that something was about to happen...

-Genesis 28:13a...He had praying **parents and grandparents!**

1. How many people on campus every weekend have this story...
2. Are you creating a legacy of prayer for your family...
3. Deepening your connection to God is an inheritance...

-Genesis 28:16...He **did not know** this was possible!

1. FIVE churches every weekend, people coming not knowing...
2. You don't have to believe it's possible first...
3. Jacob was a TERRIBLE person and yet...

Get Thee Up

-**Isaiah 40:9 (ESV)**

-**Isaiah 40:9 (NIV)**

-Why is a "person" inserted here in the text with the NIV?

- In Hebrew, every noun, adjective, and verb takes on a grammatical gender, meaning it changes form to indicate whether it refers to a masculine or feminine subject.
- In Hebrew, cities and geographic places are typically feminine
- AND, that is the case here in this verse...
- SO, some translations like the NIV insert "You who..." because in their thinking, places don't have a voice...
- If "you" is Isaiah then we have a problem...he is a man.
- If "you" is being used generically for "people" then it would be masculine but the rest of the text is grammatically female...

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-Channel to Brazil for Christ

To inspire the next generation to overcome their circumstances, by offering quality Christian education and training in the heart of the slums of Fortaleza, Brazil.

Our vision is to see children and young people transformed from a poverty mentality to success and leadership in all areas of their lives.

Our values are: Christian Character and Leadership: service, love, sincerity, integrity, and responsibility. Incentive to Dream: investment, creativity, hope, opportunity, and confidence. Community: prayer, worship, encouragement, friendships, and mentorship.

-Shiloh Therapy and Care, Character Performing Arts, Always Learning, KidLife Club Preschool and BASP

-For FIVE Christ honoring organizations...this is a Bethel space...(preach here...Jacobs coming through here by way of these orgs too!!!!)

Band

-Revelation 1:10

-(tell story of "A well lit rooms doesn't need another candle.")

Close

-(story of wrestling in HS and hearing my Dad shouting..."Don't give up!")