

Opening Prayer:

Dear Heavenly Father,

Prepare our hearts to receive the word that you would have for each of us today. I thank you in advance for what will come from this message on "breakthrough." I pray that our hearts and minds take time to reflect on what You would have us do as our next steps. We have all that we need from our source. Thank you for your guidance and patience as we navigate our daily fight with the enemy. I pray you encourage us today and remind us in Whom we trust. In Jesus' name, amen.

Icebreaker: [Share your responses]

As you listen to this message, think about the big break you are waiting for. So many people wonder, do I have what it takes? Do I have enough talent, skills, resources, etc? Think where in your life you want or need a breakthrough to occur:

- Marriage
- Relationships
- Finances
- Work/School

- Starting Something
- Making a big change
- Doing that *thing* The Lord has been calling you to

Often we think we do not have what it takes to accomplish what God wants to accomplish in us. Sometimes, we make excuses based on what we don't have, what think we're not and decide in our minds that breakthrough or winning can't happen. It's not about what you have, what you don't have, your past experiences (good or bad), or what you can't do. God WANTS to do His will through YOU. He will if you cooperate with Him in obedience!

There are three things you will learn about breakthrough:

- First, breakthrough always begins with what you already have.
- Second, the best breakthroughs take time.
- Third, the breakthrough is in the breaking.

As you listen to this message, think about stories in the Bible when God used "what wasn't enough" and turned it into an abundance. Think about your life, your walk with God, and the breakthroughs He has already accomplished in and through you.

- What is God currently breaking in you that could be a start of a breakthrough for you?
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- Declare that you are enough and that you CAN take small steps towards that breakthrough. (i.e I AM A CHILD OF GOD. I WILL HAVE FAITH IN HIM EVEN WHEN ITS HARD.)
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- If you follow God's guidance to breakthrough, what would that look like? Consider your sphere of friends, family; who will be blessed by this breakthrough?
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Encouragement:

Some of the most amazing breakthroughs and blessings come right after some of the most devastating things in your life. If you are experiencing a difficulty or struggle in any area, what you are going through is a process, you're going to get through it and glory is just around the corner! Write down **one word or phrase** on a sheet of paper that illustrates the breakthrough you are looking for.

[Example: Joe Smith, is called to go on a mission trip]

• Get into group of 2-3 and pray these over one another.

Scriptures:

Mark 6:40-44

"So they sat down in groups of hundreds and fifties. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to his disciples to distribute to the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces of bread and fish. The number of the men who had eaten was five thousand."

1 Peter 4:12-13

"Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed."

Prayer:

- Ask God to show you what He wants for your life. Ask Him to reveal to you the roots of the lies that are interfering with your breakthrough.
- Don't try to do it alone. Don't try to bear it alone.

Dear Heavenly Father,

I thank you for opening my eyes today and for the reminder that you are Worthy to be praised and Worthy to be trusted. I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. I believe that I am on the first step to a journey of many breakthroughs. Thank you for the victory, Father. I give this "fight" to you and this "breakthrough" to you. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Next Steps:

- Think of someone to partner with and keep them updated on how "the fight" and "the breakthrough" is going.
- Be one another's encouragement partner.
- Set start and end dates with check in points to help you both be accountable.

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