

MY SERMON NOTES

SERMON: The Source of Strength

SPEAKER: Pastor Craig Campbell
SERMON SERIES: A Little Pick Me Up

**The source of _____ can only be
found in the joy of the Lord.**

Nehemiah 8:10b I Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.

You can never _____ your way to joy.

**A moment of joy may be spontaneously experienced, but a lifestyle
of joy can only be grown through _____.**

1 Samuel 30:1-6 I Now when David and his men came to Ziklag on the third day, the Amalekites had made a raid against the Negeb and against Ziklag. They had overcome Ziklag and burned it with fire 2 and taken captive the women and all who were in it, both small and great. They killed no one, but carried them off and went their way. 3 And when David and his men came to the city, they found it burned with fire, and their wives and sons and daughters taken captive. 4 Then David and the people who were with him raised their voices and wept until they had no more strength to weep. 5 David's two wives also had been taken captive, Ahinoam of Jezreel and Abigail the widow of Nabal of Carmel. 6 And David was greatly distressed, for the people spoke of stoning him, because all the people were bitter in soul, each for his sons and daughters. But David strengthened himself in the Lord his God. [Exodus 17:8, 1 Samuel 27:1]

ZIKLAG

means

"the place of _____ to reveal what is on the inside."

_____ is unavoidable, but
_____ is obtainable.

HOW CAN I ENCOURAGE MYSELF IN THE LORD?

*Run to God's _____.

Proverbs 18:10 I The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe.
[Psalm 144:1-2, 18:1-2]

*Reflect on your previous _____. [1 Samuel 17]

*Remember God's _____. [1 Samuel 17]

*Request God's _____.

1 Samuel 30:7-10 I 7 And David said to Abiathar the priest, the son of Ahimelech, "Bring me the ephod." So Abiathar brought the ephod to David. 8 And David inquired of the Lord, "Shall I pursue after this band? Shall I overtake them?" He answered him, "Pursue, for you shall surely overtake and shall surely rescue." 9 So David set out...10 But David pursued...

*Rest in God's _____. [Mark 14:32-52]

*Realign your _____. [1 Samuel 30:16-30, 2 Corinthians 12:8-9]

**God will give you His strength,
when you give God your _____.**

ANSWERS: (1) strength (2) complain (3) perseverance (4) pressing (5) Criticism (6) encouragement (7) reassurance (8) wins (9) promises (10) direction (11) answer (12) mission (13) weakness

happening soon

WELCOME PARTY TODAY, FOLLOWING SERVICE

Please join us today in the lower level following service for our Welcome Party. Our Welcome parties are for all recent Freedom Church guests who are looking to know more about the church, meet the staff, and see all that's happening here at Freedom. Mark it in your calendar and plan to bring your family to enjoy pizza, drinks and interactive fun. We look forward to meeting you!

"SOAP"ERBOWL SUNDAY COLLECTIONS MUST BE TURNED INTO CHURCH OFFICE BY TOMORROW

Today is the last day to support Saving Grace Ministries as they serve the homeless in Buffalo, NY. We're collecting essential items like toiletries, soap, laundry detergent, and more to help provide a fresh start for those in need. All donations will need to be brought in and placed in the bin located in the main foyer.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING THIS WEDNESDAY | 7PM | YOUTH SANCTUARY

Our Annual Business Meeting, where we take a glimpse at the previous year and share vision for the new year will take place at 7pm in the Youth Sanctuary. Official Church Members: dinner begins at 6PM. During the meeting Freedom Church Members will be given the opportunity to vote for the building of the projected Freedom Hope Center. Nexus will meet in the Main Sanctuary.

LIFEGROUP FAIR SUNDAY FEBRUARY 16TH | 12PM | FOYER

Discover community and growth at the LifeGroup Fair! Meet our leaders, explore curriculums, and find the perfect group to grow and connect with. The fair will take place in the foyer immediately following service.

ADVENTURE KIDS RESUMES WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 19TH | 7PM

All 4 year olds - 5th grade students will be welcomed back for Adventure Kids Wednesday, February 19th at 7PM. During Adventure Kids, children are taken on a journey every week exploring God's Word. It is a weekly event where your child can learn biblical truths equipping them to be transformed by the power of Christ's love. Adventure Kids nights are filled with worship, interactive bible lessons, snacks, games, fun and the love of Christ!

EXPERIMENT SUNDAYS!

We are growing! We will have a couple of "experiment Sundays" in February and March and will be testing some Sunday service times prior to implementing them by Easter Sunday. These times are by no means "locked in" and we ask that you stay posted for updates which will be in the bulletin, socials and on the church website.

February 23rd

- **North:** 8:30am - Word - Worship
- **South:** 9:00am - Worship - Word
- **South:** 11:00am - Worship - Word

2025 LADIES RETREAT SAVE THE DATE THURSDAY MAY 29TH - SATURDAY MAY 31ST

College aged women and older, save the date for the Freedom Church Ladies retreat, returning this spring! Our official dates for this years retreat are Thursday May 29th - Saturday May 29th.

FREEDOM CHURCH MEMBERSHIP CLASSES BEGINNING SUNDAY, MARCH 23RD | 9AM

If you are interested in learning more about, and applying for, church membership the classes will begin Sunday, March 23rd. These classes will run for 4 weeks from 9:30am - 10:30am in the lower-level classroom. Please use this QR code to sign up for these classes or contact the church office!



WAYS TO GIVE

- ➡ Drop **Envelopes** in the back black boxes in the back of the sanctuary
- ➡ **Text** "GIVE" to 716-714-4480
- ➡ **Online**

➡ Mobile **app** "MinistryOne" from the App Store!

welcome.

Sunday, February 9th, 2025 | Freedom Church

**Reach the Lost.
Disciple the Found.
See Lives Set Free and Stay Free in Jesus Christ.**

First Time Guests:

We're so glad you're here! If you have any questions on who we are or what we do as a church, feel free to check out our info hub located outside the sanctuary doors for information!

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For the Kid's:

Newborn - 4-year old's check in at the Freedom Kids check-in hub located in the foyer. Check in begins at 10:15am. Freedom Kids meet in the Youth Sanctuary, and Nexus Teenagers in 5th - 8th grade meet in the Lounge.



CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor Craig Campbell | Lead Pastor
Peggy Belfield | Seniors Pastor | Ext. 100
Jennie Campbell | Worship Director | Ext. 100
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CHURCH ELDERS:

Ron (Doris) Campbell
Jim (Ann) Hood
Bill Nimetz
Mark (Linda) Rathke
Matt (Kerith) McDonald
Jim (Debbie) Randle
Adam (Steph) Schifferle

*If you'd like to contact an Elder, please call the church office.

Worship

This Is Our God
Yes I Will
Another One
Holy Forever
Build My Life

Following Service

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This Week

Nexus | Wednesday 6:45PM
Annual Business Meeting | 7PM

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THE CHURCH OFFICE IS OPEN WEEKDAYS FROM 9AM - 4PM | 716-434-5451