

IMMEASURABLY MORE



talk it
over

Key Scripture-

Ephesians 3.20-21

Takeaway -

The pursuit of the immeasurably more starts at the Cross.

GROW-

Ephesians 1.19-21 // Ephesians 3

LIVE-

Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Paul was a hired gun, a mercenary, a murderer, a sinner. He knew his past, his sin, his personal struggles, and yet through his personal relationship with Jesus he was able to accomplish *immeasurably more*.

LOOK-

Do you believe you were meant for *more*? Do you believe that right now, in this moment you are on heaven's radar, and that your life matters to God? Do you believe He can and has done the *immeasurably more* in your life? What if God isn't asking you to do *more*? What if He wants you to know His life in you is the *immeasurably more*?

LOVE-

Jesus invites us to the *immeasurably more*. But what we tend to focus on is the next big thing He's going to do, and we lose sight of the great thing He has already done. We live in a culture of instant gratification, so too often our focus becomes what's next, what's tomorrow's headline for my story, what's He calling me to do for the rest of my life. Then when we don't see the results we expected, the project fails, or the next big thing is a big disaster, we begin to question His goodness, and we wonder where's the *more*.

But the *immeasurably more* isn't just the next big thing. Of course it is the work God is planning, and the opportunities we are going to have to spread the gospel, but at the foundation of the *immeasurably more* is the understanding that a holy God created life out of an abundance of love. And though His creation chose to go against His love, He still chose to pursue them in love. He chose to live the life for them they couldn't. And in love to die the death they deserved. Through His Resurrection He now invites us to enter into His life, His love, and the *immeasurably more*.

We were not brought up from death and pit and grave and ash to simply pursue the *immeasurably more* of God. We were raised to life to know that His life in us IS part of the *immeasurably more*. The fact we have hope is the *more*. The fact we have love is the *more*. The fact we can know God is the *more*. Because the greatest *more* we will ever pursue is the person of Jesus. And it is His work inside of us that will spur a work outside of us. Pursuing the *immeasurably more* starts with pursuing Jesus.