

THE STAND MESSAGE NOTES AND INTERACTIVE PDF

New Life at the Cross

Come to Jesus for living water, surrender the old life at His cross, and keep walking by the Spirit.

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NOTES

Truth to carry into the week.

01 Come to Jesus for living water.

- At the feast, Jesus invited anyone who thirsts to come to Him and drink. He spoke of the Spirit who would be given to those who believe. ([John 7:37-39](#))
- The world offers many ways to distract a thirsty heart, but it cannot give the life Jesus gives. Bring your need to Him. ([John 4:13-14](#))
- Do not settle for a religious appearance. Seek the living Lord Himself. ([John 7:37-39](#))

"there's only one thing that'll fill the thirst of the heart of man. And that's Jesus."

STUDY [John 7:37-39](#); [John 4:13-14](#)

02 Lay down the old life at the cross.

- Paul says he has been crucified with Christ and now lives by faith in the Son of God. Surrender is joined to Christ's life. ([Galatians 2:20](#))
- Jesus calls those who follow Him to deny themselves and take up the cross. Offer Him your will and your direction. ([Luke 9:23](#))

- Christ died and rose again; in Him, a person may become a new creation. The cross leads into a new life. ([2 Corinthians 5:17](#))

“the only way to have true transformational power is to come to the cross”

STUDY [Galatians 2:20](#); [Luke 9:23](#); [2 Corinthians 5:17](#)

03 Receive the new heart Christ gives.

- Jesus told Nicodemus that a person must be born again to see God's kingdom. New birth is deeper than joining a group or improving manners. ([John 3:3-6](#))
- The Lord promises a new heart and a new spirit. Ask Him to change you from within. ([Ezekiel 36:26-27](#))
- Titus describes salvation through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit. Receive His mercy as the beginning of that life. ([Titus 3:4-6](#))

“He gives you a new heart and a new spirit.”

STUDY [John 3:3-6](#); [Ezekiel 36:26-27](#); [Titus 3:4-6](#)

04 Continue by the Spirit, not self-reliance.

- Paul asks why those who began by the Spirit would now try to be perfected by the flesh. Do not return to the strength that could not save you. ([Galatians 3:1-3](#))
- Ask the Holy Spirit to shape your desires and steps day by day. Walk by the Spirit. ([Galatians 5:16](#))
- Keep your attention on Christ when surrounding events stir fear. Peter was able to turn to Jesus when the wind frightened him. ([Matthew 14:28-31](#))

“I need the Holy Spirit to come and fill my heart. First to change me.”

STUDY [Galatians 3:1-3](#); [Galatians 5:16](#); [Matthew 14:28-31](#)

05 Stay watchful and ready to respond.

- In the parable of the ten virgins, Jesus calls His hearers to watch because they do not know the day or hour. Take His call to faithfulness seriously. ([Matthew 25:1-13](#))
- Continue to be filled with the Spirit and give thanks to the Lord. Let ongoing fellowship matter more than a memory of a past encounter. ([Ephesians 5:18-20](#))
- When the Lord calls you to return or obey, respond with a willing heart rather than hardening yourself against Him. ([Hebrews 3:15](#))

“you’ve got to keep being filled.”

STUDY [Matthew 25:1-13](#); [Ephesians 5:18-20](#); [Hebrews 3:15](#)

06 Return to mercy and rest without shame.

- Jesus calls the weary to come to Him for rest. An honest return is better than hiding under shame. ([Matthew 11:28-30](#))
- Confess sin and receive His faithful cleansing. The Father invites you to draw near for mercy and help. ([1 John 1:9](#); [Hebrews 4:16](#))
- Rest in His work while continuing to follow Him. Let fellowship replace the endless effort to prove yourself. ([John 15:4-5](#))

“I’m not talking about having it all together. I’m talking about letting it all go. And living in rest with God.”

STUDY [Matthew 11:28-30](#); [1 John 1:9](#); [Hebrews 4:16](#)

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How will I receive new life in Christ?

Where have I tried to satisfy a thirst that belongs before Jesus?

What part of my old life do I need to surrender at the cross?

Where am I relying on my own strength instead of the Holy Spirit?

How can I respond to God's mercy today without hiding in shame?
