



WORTHY

Week 2

BREAKING THE ICE

- What is your favorite Christmas dessert?
- If you had to live in any Christmas movie, which one would you choose?

MAIN CONTENT

This week, Pastor Kevin spoke on Divine interruptions. This is a season known for joy and lights and family, but also for extreme busyness. Between buying presents, children's Christmas plays and making food for the whole family, there doesn't seem to be a whole lot of time to slow down. Interruptions sometimes have a negative connotation, but God often uses interruptions to fulfill His will. We as humans make our plans and often get upset if they don't go exactly the way we are expecting.

1. What was an interruption in your life that seemed like an inconvenience at the time, but now you realize was a blessing?
2. What is one example of a Divine interruption in the Bible?

One example of an interruption we see in the Bible is when Mary is told she will be carrying baby Jesus. She is a young teen and unmarried, and the angel comes to her to tell her she will be carrying the King of the world in her womb. I can imagine she would consider this an interruption because Mary probably had very different plans for her life. She probably had big dreams and never thought her life would look like this. She was also giving up her reputation by agreeing to this plan that God had for her. We sometimes get so caught up in our own lives and stories and forget there is something much greater going on. It is all about Jesus. Jesus uses our lives to continue His glory and story. It's an honor to be used in His greater plan.

3. What do you think Mary was thinking when the angel of the Lord appeared to her?
4. How do you think you would react if you were given the news that Mary received?

Kevin explained how to submit our plans for His purpose. He gave us four key ways to surrender control to God:

- 1) Pre-decide who is Lord.
- 2) Make plans.
- 3) Pray for His kingdom to come.
- 4) Look and listen for Divine interruptions.

We live this life with our own plans and hopes and dreams. It takes a daily effort to remember that we are a vapor, our lives are meant to be used to bring Him glory. We must hold our plans with an open hand and trust that God knows better. Proverbs 19:21 says, “Many are the plans in a man’s heart, it’s the Lord’s purpose that prevails.”

5. Do you feel like it’s hard for you to give up your plans to Jesus?
6. What is one area of your life that you would like to see Jesus interrupt that you haven’t let Him before?

CLOSING PRAYER

Lord Jesus, we praise you for interruptions. Open our eyes to see how we can be interrupted this week. Show us the people you want us to speak to, show us the places you want our feet to go. Go before us. We open our hands to receiving and being Divine interruptions. Take our lives and let it be all for You and Your glory. We are so grateful for a God that allows for interruptions. Let us put away our plans and focus on You. Use us in your story to eternal glory. We love you and we praise you Amen.

ACTION STEP

- Pray through an area(s) where you feel like you could allow for more interruptions.
- Pray for more Divine interruptions with others. The Lord wants to use you, allow Him!
- Maybe one Divine interruption you could do in someone else’s life this week could be to invite them to Christmas at Cross Point on December 21 and 24:
crosspoint.tv/christmas
- Continue to soak in the awaiting arrival of Jesus with our Advent EP and corresponding podcast: crosspoint.tv/advent