"ICAN'T WAIT FOR 2020."

2019



GROWING PAINS AT GRACE Planning – reactionary vs. visionary Communication – unclear vs. clear Focus – tending towards maintenance vs. outreach

Seeking Help – The Unstuck Group

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The Unstuck Group

How are we doing?
Where are we going?
Who does what?
Did we deliver?

BECOMING A <u>MOVEMENT</u>

Strategic Planning – May 26 and 27 Please Pray More Information – graceb3.org/unstuck



1 THESSALONIANS 5:23-28 ²³ Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.²⁴ He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it. ²⁵ Brothers, pray for us. ²⁶ Greet all the brothers with a holy kiss.²⁷ I put you under oath before the Lord to have this letter read to all the brothers. ²⁸ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:23-28 1. God's Desire – Our Sanctification 2. Our Experience – Painfully Slow Growth 3. Our Hope - Three Options, One Choice

GOD'S DESIRE – OUR SANCTIFICATION **1 Thessalonians 5:23**²³ Now may the God of peace himself *sanctify you completely*, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Sanctify - to make holy, to set apart.

GOD'S DESIRE – OUR SANCTIFICATION 1 Thessalonians 5:23 ²³ Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and *may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless* at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. GOD'S DESIRE – OUR SANCTIFICATION 1 Peter 1:14–15¹⁴ As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, ¹⁵ but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct,

Hebrews 12:14 ¹⁴ Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord.

OUR EXPERIENCE - FRUSTRATION Romans 7:21–24²¹ So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. ²² For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, ²³ but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.²⁴ Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?

OUR HOPE THREE OPTIONS – ONE CHOICE

Circumstances – When things change, I will change.
Self Effort – I will create the change I desire.
God's Faithfulness – He will finish what He started.

OUR HOPE - GOD'S FAITHFULNESS 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24²³ Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴ He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

PHILIPPIANS 1:6

⁶ And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

PHILIPPIANS 2:12-13

¹² Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³ for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

HE WILL SURELY DO IT!!!

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YOUR NEXT STREP

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