

## Taking Back Control

We welcome you here today! We are beginning a journey together to regain control of our lives. No one is here by accident. In our world today emphasis is placed on our independence, our completeness, our ability to rise above on our own, separate from family, friends, or outside assistance. This is a façade that most people hide behind. In reality, God never designed us to be tossed any way or every way the wind blows. The politically incorrect word that talks about this is *Dominion*. God wants that in your heart – the ability to control the outcome of your life. You see, there's more **life** available to you today than what you may currently be experiencing. Life is more than physical breathing. Instead of looking only at the "life" that you already have, recognize that more "life" is available to you! But it is difficult to find while living behind a façade.

The answers that we need to "fix" our hearts and our families will not be found in holding on to that which is familiar and comfortable. Instead, we must let go of what is comfortable and convenient and grab hold of something new from God! You can have certainty about tomorrow. Hurts can be healed. Answers can come. Strength can rise up within you. Change is not so fearful if you see more life and more results because of it!

Just like the nations of the earth, God designed every person to be "sovereign". We are to be in control of our boundaries. We are supposed to make our own decisions. We are to control our borders ... what goes in and what goes out. Does it seem like nothing is working and there is no end in sight? Has it become difficult to see clearly and make right decisions? Do you feel surrounded? Have you been doing the "right thing" and yet nothing seems to be working? I have good news for you today. You still can take back control of your life. God has a plan for **you**. Jesus put it this way in Matthew 18:3,

*"Assuredly I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven."*

The word for **converted** refers to going back to your original condition. In other words, God wants you to revert back to a **child's** attitude and perspective. Can we really do that? Yes we can! But it might be the most fearful thing you have ever done. But God wants you to take back control of your life. I encourage you to dare to look forward rather than backward. This is just the beginning.

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