Silver Creek Fellowship NOTES

June 23

LIFE VERSES RECOVERY

1. Everybody needs recovery from something.

Romans 3:23 (NLT) "For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard."

Isaiah 53:6 (NLT) "All of us, like sheep, have strayed away. We have left God's paths to follow our own. Yet the Lord laid on him the sins of us all.

2. My pain or situations can blur my birthrights

A. My identity. Who am I?

Who Am I? This or the other? Am I one person today, and tomorrow another? Am I both at once? A hypocrite before others, and before myself a contemptibly woebegone weakling? Or is something within me still like a beaten army, fleeing in disorder from victory already achieved? Who am I? They mock me these lonely questions of mine. Whoever I am, thou knowest, O God, I am thine- Dietrich Bonhoeffer

John 1:12-13(NLT) "But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. 13 They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God."

- **2 Corinthians 1:22(NLT)** "and he has identified us as his own by placing the Holy Spirit in our hearts as the first installment that guarantees everything, he has promised us."
- **1 Corinthians 4:3-4 (NLT)** "As for me, it matters very little how I might be evaluated by you or by any human authority. I don't even trust my own judgment on this point. 4 My conscience is clear, but that doesn't prove I'm right. It is the Lord himself who will examine me and decide."

Galatians 1:10 ESV "For am I now seeking the approval of man, or of God? Or am I trying to please man? If I were still trying to please man, I would not be a servant of Christ.

1 Thessalonians 2:4 (ESV) "but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak, not to please man, but to please God who tests our hearts."

B. My heredity. Where did I come from, and who do I belong to?

Psalm 100:3(NLT) "Acknowledge that the LORD is God! He made us, and we are his. We are his people, the sheep of his pasture."

1 Corinthians 6:19-20(NLT) "Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, for God bought you with a high price. So, you must honor God with your body."

C. My <u>purpose</u>. Does my life matter?

2 Corinthians 1:4 (NLT) "He comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us."

D. My <u>destiny</u>. Where am I headed?

Psalm 37:18 (NLT) "Day by day the Lord takes care of the innocent, and they will receive an inheritance that lasts forever."

1 Peter 1:4 (NLT) "and we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay."

Ephesians 1:3(NLT) Spiritual Blessings "All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ."

Ephesians 1:14 (NLT) "The Spirit is God's guarantee that he will give us the inheritance he promised and that he has purchased us to be his own people. He did this so we would praise and glorify him."

3. Satan wants me to keep me from enjoying my birthrights.

John 10:10 (NLT) "The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life."

4. Jesus came to recover my God-given birthrights.

Galatians 4:4-7 (NLT) 4 "But when the right time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, subject to the law. 5 God sent him to buy freedom for us who were slaves to the law, so that he could adopt us as his very own children. 6 And because we are his children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, prompting us to call out, "Abba, Father." 7 Now you are no longer a slave but God's own child. And since you are his child, God has made you his heir."

Luke 19:10 (NLT) "For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost."

5. One day our recovery will be completed.

Acts 3:19-21 (NLT) "Now repent of your sins and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped away. 20 Then times of refreshment will come from the presence of the Lord, and he will again send you Jesus, your appointed Messiah. 21 For he must remain in heaven until the time for the final restoration of all things, as God promised long ago through his holy prophets.

2 Corinthians 4:16-18 NLT 16 That is why we never give up. Though our bodies are dying, our spirits are being renewed every day. 17 For our present troubles are small and won't last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever! 18 So we don't look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever.