



PART 2: Catching the Thief

INTRODUCTION

We can't experience a fully alive life if we're partially dead. On the surface, it seems we each have different reasons for living less than fully alive, but by digging deeper, we discover we suffer from the same malady. In this message, we'll discover what's robbing us of living lives to the full.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. On a scale of 0 to 10, with 0 being "Fully Dead" and 10 being "Fully Alive," where would you currently place yourself?
2. What aspect of your life is robbing you from being fully alive? Is your gap spiritual, relational, financial, emotional, or physical?
3. Now that you've identified the gap, have you ever tried to do anything to experience freedom in this area of your life? If so, what was the outcome? If not, what prevented you from taking steps toward freedom?
4. Read Exodus 14:11-12. The Israelites were enslaved in Egypt for 430 years, but after God freed them they wanted to return to slavery. Describe a time in your life when you received something you desperately wanted, but failed to experience the freedom you were hoping for?
5. Like the Israelites, we think our circumstances prevent us from living fully alive, but Gavin said the thief in our lives is our unbelief. We activate our belief by actively obeying God. What correlation do you see between the gaps of your life and a lack of belief in or obedience of God?
6. What is one thing you can do this week to begin to trust God in the gaps of your life? How can this group encourage you?

MOVING FORWARD

Your personal promised land is available, but you lose the ability to experience it when you lose the ability to fully believe. The moment you choose to fully believe, you position yourself to live fully alive. God is trustworthy. Will you choose to trust him?

CHANGING YOUR MIND

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

John 10:10