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Walking into the Next Chapter

Date: Sunday 8th March

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Key Verses: Hebrews 12: 1-2

Talk Summary:

1. Maturity is not guaranteed – we have to keep working at it.
 - a. We will be transformed by the renewing of our mind (Romans 12:2)
 - b. We need to keep running the race – perseverance (Hebrews 12:1-2)
 - c. We need to declare God’s truth against the lies of the enemy (2 Corinthians 10:4-5)
 - i. Confess and resist (1 John 1:9, James 5:16, James 5:7)
2. What goals are we striving for?
 - a. God is less concerned with the things we strive to do...
 - b. And more concerned with who we are growing to be – godliness (2 Peter 1:3-8)
 - c. We may still step out into potential opportunities, like new relationships or jobs, but we don’t tie our meaning or identity into the outcome of those things
 - d. Becoming more like Jesus is the ultimate goal, no matter what else we do
3. Relationship (not religion)
 - a. With God
 - i. Fix our attention on Jesus
 - ii. Giving God our whole days not just church or “quiet times”
 - b. With people around us
 - i. Great cloud of witnesses
 - ii. Community of support in growing
 - iii. Mentoring
 - iv. Influencing the people around us who can then go on to influencing others, creating a ripple

Check out: <https://www.vineyardchurches.org.uk/resources/multiplication/>

Resources and next steps

- Sozo Prayer appointments: They aim to quickly get to and deal with the root of things that are hindering your connection with Father God, Jesus and Holy Spirit. (It is not a counselling session). More information at bvc.so/sozo
- Sozo Basic Training - If you want to be equipped to help others, join us for this training event on 13th - 14th March. More details at bvc.so/sozotraining