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## UPCOMING EVENTS AND NEWS

### DESTINY NEXTGEN STUDENT MINISTRIES — New Partnership Season

*We are partnering with Bethel Church's youth ministry program to provide an awesome youth group experience and shadow/training experience for our own relaunched student ministry program at Destiny, soon-coming. If you have a student between 6th and 12th grade, reach out to RaeAnn at [raeann@destiny4square.org](mailto:raeann@destiny4square.org) for more information.*

### WOMEN'S GAME NIGHT — Saturday, February 11, 6:00 pm

*Join us in the office building for fun, food, and fellowship! Please bring games and an appetizer to share.*

### STRESS MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP — Saturday, February 18, 9:00 am to 8:00 pm

*Stress is a normal part of life, but it can have a detrimental impact on us when we do not manage it in a healthy way. At this free workshop hosted by the Black Hills School of Supernatural Ministry, we will discuss recognizing when stress impacts us and how to avoid unnecessary stress. We will also learn healthy coping mechanisms for dealing with the inevitable stressors we all face. To register or for more information, call or text BHSSM at 605-431-5164.*

### THE ULTIMATE JOURNEY INFORMATION MEETING—Sunday, Feb. 19

*Feeling stuck? Not moving forward in life? God may be drawing you into the Ultimate Journey. Come find out what it is all about on Sunday, Feb. 19, following services in the sanctuary.*

### BLACK HILLS PREGNANCY CENTER FUNDRAISER — Through Sunday, February 19

*Fill a Bottle, Save a Life! Black Hills Pregnancy Center is holding its annual Baby Bottle Campaign. Bottles are available at the back of the sanctuary. Fill them with cash or give online. Please bring filled baby bottles back on or before Feb 19. BHPC provides many services to men and women involved in unplanned pregnancies. Your donations support pregnancy tests, layettes, limited ultrasounds, medical consultation services, adoption referrals, earn-while-you-learn parenting classes, prenatal vitamins, nutritional classes, car seat safety, and other life-affirming resources.*

### THE GOODNESS OF GOD—Wednesday, Feb. 22, 6 pm

*Are you interested in trying out some new lenses through which to see the absolute goodness of God? We invite you to a discussion/video series exploring this. It's called the Goodness of God and will be held on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 in the church office. Bring your Bibles and join us.*

### MEN'S GAME NIGHT—Saturday, Feb. 25, 6:00 pm, Destiny Office Building

*Bring your own family-friendly games. Snacks will be provided by Matt Davis.*

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# MESSAGE NOTES

2.12.23 | THE COMEBACK, Part 1: Paradise in a Garbage Dump

## EVERYBODY LOVES A COMEBACK STORY

*Then he said, "I beg of you, Jesus, show me grace and take me with you into your everlasting kingdom!" Jesus responded, "I promise you—this very day you will enter paradise with me."*

**Luke 23:42-43 TPT**

- There is a \_\_\_\_\_ for everyone who puts their faith and hope in Jesus.

## TWO CRIMINALS AND A COMEBACK

*Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. **Luke 23:32-33 ESV***

There's always a connection between the work of Jesus, the life of Jesus, the death of Jesus, the resurrection of Jesus, and a \_\_\_\_\_, ordinary person at the end of their rope.

*And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." **Luke 23:34-38 ESV***

Jesus has a history of walking \_\_\_\_\_ situations where people are needing help.

*One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." **Luke 23:39-42 ESV***

This is a powerful nine-word \_\_\_\_\_.

*But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." **Matthew 26:32 ESV***

*And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise." **Luke 23:43 ESV***

- Historians and archaeologists tell us that the place where Jesus was crucified was a \_\_\_\_\_.
- Don't ever count \_\_\_\_\_ out! And don't ever count \_\_\_\_\_ out!

## JESUS PICKS US UP

- 1) If you're trying to keep everything \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ — if you are trying to do the work — you can't be rescued.
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ is on a mission to get to where you are.