



Christmas at The Cove 2015

Part 2 – A Life Interrupted Study Guide

We all love routines and plans. When something happens to interrupt a plan or a routine, well, that's when it becomes easy to get upset and annoyed. We tend to get grumpy, ask why, and we can even begin to question God's motives and intentions. In this study, we will discuss how letting God interrupt our daily routines and rhythms is an invitation to play a part in a bigger story—His story.

“Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!”
Luke 1:28 (ESV)

1. What reaction do you have when something, or someone, interrupts your daily routine? When was the last time this happened and how did you handle the situation?
2. **Read Luke 1:26-35.** Interruptions from God often lead to more questions than specific answers.
 - Why do you think Mary was troubled by Gabriel's news? How did this news completely disrupt Mary's life?
 - Why do we always feel the need to get all the details on how things are going to happen?
 - When God interrupts our lives, what can help us see that His plan is way bigger than our plans?
3. **Read Matthew 1:18-25.** God's power and ways surpass human knowledge and understanding.
 - What made Joseph's plan seem like a logical thing to do, and how did God interrupt his plans?
 - How did both Mary and Joseph turn their fears into a stronger faith in God?
 - How strong do you think your faith would be if God asked the seemingly impossible from you? Is there something He's asking from you now that seems impossible? What is it?

“For nothing will be impossible with God.” Luke 1:37 (ESV)

4. This week’s message was about letting God interrupt our lives. When He speaks, it’s up to us to follow His prompting and guidance.
 - How have you let God interrupt your plans? How has it changed you and affected your faith?
 - What’s your next step towards overcoming your fear? What might be keeping you from stepping out?
 - Who can help you take some next steps? How can you get them involved?