

MAXIMIZE YOUR STAY AT HOME

Sermon: How to Maximize your Stay at Home
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Shelter: A place of refuge, a shield or covering that provides protection from adverse conditions
Psalm 27:5; Psalm 61:4; Psalm 91:1

Shelter wasn't just about a **place** but about a **presence**

Is my home a shelter or a prison?



*Joshua 24:15 "then **choose** for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served beyond the Euphrates, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my **household**, we will serve the Lord."*

1. Choose: Growing over Coping

The question isn't where is this going, it's who will I be on the other side?

Don't just get through it but get something from it

Grow Inward
Grow Upward
Grow Outward

James 1:2-4 Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,[a] whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

Reflect: Word, Listen
Refocus: Worship, Pray
Release: Share and Impart

2. Choose: Grace over Grumbling

John 1:16 (ESV) For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.

Proverbs 18:21 The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

3. Choose: Seeking over Sulking

*Psalms 9:10 Those who know your name trust in you, for you, Lord, have never forsaken those who **seek** you.*

1 Corinthians 2:11,12 For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us.

Questions

1. Have you been experiencing your home as a shelter? Or as a prison? What could you do to change that?
2. Who do I want to be on the other side of this? How could you use the encouragements to Reflect, Refocus, and Release this week to grow toward that reality?
3. Read Galatians 5:22,23 how much fruit are you seeing in your life? The fruit we see in our lives comes from how we are leaning into the Holy Spirit. How are you inviting Holy Spirit into your week/day/hour/minute such that His fruit is being blossoming in your life?
4. How can others support YOU most during this time?

- I **declare** that my home **will be** a place of Refuge
- I **declare** that my home **will be** a place for God's Presence and Power
- I **declare** that my home **will be** a place of Hope and Love

As you take communion: I'm going to choose to declare that Jesus is everything!
Take this bread which represents my body - take it in remembrance of me
This wine represents my blood - take it in remembrance of me

Pray: I invite you Jesus to not just be the everything of my life, but the everything in my home.