

DOORS PT.4

<u>SET LIST</u> (worship optional)

Rez Power by Israel Houghton Great Is The Lord by Jonathan McReynolds Miracle Worker by JJ Hairston Be Lifted by Micah Stampley

OPEN IN PRAYER AND PLAY VIDEO

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

It's the nature of people to fall in love with what you have to offer. And a lot of people will love you until they see your weaknesses.
Read John 2:23-25. Make sure to have people around you that will love you for your strengths and weaknesses. Jesus didn't give himself to everyone because he knew what was in the heart of the people. They wanted him to be Jesus the healer, savior and messiah 24/7 but they wouldn't want him to be Jesus the man. Everyone doesn't need a revelation of the totality of who you are; people earn that level of intimacy. Do you have a tendency to tell everyone, no matter how well you know them, about everything that is going on in your life? Do your closest friends know what you secretly struggle with? If not, why are they considered your closest friends? Read Psalm 32:1-5. Jesus wants the right people around you, so when you are going through something you can confess to them. But if you can do wrong and it doesn't bother you then you need to back up and seek God. If you can operate in your lifestyle and are not bothered by your blatant sin then something is wrong inside of you. God can handle your sins, baggage, feelings, iniquities and flaws. Jesus doesn't push you away and neither will real friends. Have you confessed out loud to God what you are privately struggling with? Do you trust God enough to help you with your "deepest darkest secrets?"

 Once we confess our sins we can get into a right relationship with God. Read Isaiah 53:3-5. The thing that puts me in a right relationship with God, Jesus took a beating for it. You can't have a pure relationship with God because of your good works. You must be born again because the first time you were born twisted by the blood of a natural man and woman. The blood of Jesus untwists what your father and mother twisted. Read Psalm 51:12. What did God untwist when you were saved? Is there something you are still trying to untwist that your parents struggled with?

CHALLENGE

This week challenge the people around you that are closest to you. Find out if they are there because they have earned that level of intimacy or if you need to start changing things around.

PRAYER FOCUS

This week's prayer focus is for a real confession. Take some time this week to first look into yourself and confess to the Lord what you are struggling with and to let it go. Then pray for those around you that they would let their burdens go!