

# LEARNING TO WALK ON WATER

## LEARNING HOW TO GO ON WHEN YOUR DREAM DIES

November 29, 2015

1. Open in prayer.
2. Pastor Derwin shared the following great news on our 1-year anniversary in the new building:
  - a. 743 people have made decisions for Christ
  - b. 270 people have been baptized
  - c. 305 people have become new "owners"
  - How do you feel knowing Jesus has used you to help accomplish these epic works of life transformation? Discuss.

### How Do You Go On When Your Dream Dies?

3. Explain Pastor Derwin's statement, "You must grieve the loss of your dream." How can you relate? How does that truth affect your life?
4. Read Mark 12:28-31. How is this God's dream for all of our lives?
5. Discuss these two thoughts that Pastor Derwin discussed: "Evaluate if you are in alignment with God's dream" and "Do you love your dream more than you want to love Jesus and be transformed into His image?"
6. It is important to align your gifting and passions toward a vocation (job). Based on your gifting and passions, what vocation should you pursue for God's glory? Read Colossians 3:22-24.
7. Pastor Derwin said, "In order to pursue God's dream for your life, you must be resilient, hungry, and humble."
  - a. Resiliency is the mental toughness to get back up when you've been knocked down.
  - b. Resiliency is the mental toughness to withstand tough times.
  - c. Resiliency is the mental toughness that views adversity as an opportunity to grow.
  - d. To be hungry means that you are not afraid of hard work every single day. You are willing to grind so Jesus can shine.
  - e. To be humble means that you are reliant on the power of the Holy Spirit to empower you as you pursue God's dream for your life.
  - Discuss being resilient, hungry, and humble and how these traits will affect your life as you pursue God's dream for your life.
8. Discuss the movie clip from "Mr. Holland's Opus" and how it relates to this message.

**Soul-tattoo:** Pursue God's dream for your life.

Close in prayer.