

CtK exists to connect all people to the life-giving message of Jesus, as we experience God, find freedom, discover purpose, and make a difference in our world.

## Freedom!

Week 1—Freedom from the Past

## Day 7—August 10, 2019 Freedom from Loneliness

But now thus says the LORD, He who created you, O Jacob, He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you."

Isaiah 43:1-2 (ESV)

Father God, in the midst of a busy world, we are less and less connected. LORD, in the midst of being surrounded by technology, friends, and family, we often feel alone—more and more we seek connection.

LORD God, you say, "do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name." We are yours; you work in us to bring us out of the darkness of loneliness. We know with you we are never truly alone; you promise to be with us. When we walk through the waters, you promise to be there with us.

We seek to live into your promise to draw us closer to you—deeper and deeper. This frees us from our fear of loneliness; bringing us into community with you, and this alone brings new life.

Thank you for freeing us from loneliness. Continue to work a "new thing" in us, renewing us, comforting us, and making us more and more like you. Amen.

Pastor Bill McKinley

