MARINERS CHURCH



We're Better Together as We Take Risks 3.13.22

In a place like this I have: Nothing to hide. Nothing to prove. Nothing to lose. Nothing to fear.

At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius... Acts 10

"You are well aware that it is against our law for a Jew to associate with a Gentile or visit him. But God has shown me that I should not call any man impure or unclean. Acts 10:28 (NIV)

Two things happens when I take a risk: I'll probably feel fear.

I'm probably going to fail.

Two Promises when I take a risk for God: He's not going to leave me alone in that time.

I will feel the pleasure of God in my risk.

Then Peter began to speak... Acts 10:34

Jesus Christ, is Lord of all. Everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name." Acts 10:43



Take risks on PEOPLE.

Don't just see their **past**. See their **potential**.

Take risks on SHARING YOUR FAITH.

Take Risks in SERVING.

Talk it Over! For my thoughts and LifeGroup*Talk together: Are you a 'risk taker' or do you tend to play it safe?

It's a super-long passage, but a great story: read Acts 10. Talk about the situation. Why was this an important situation in the spreading of the message of Jesus? What was the risk for Peter? How would you feel if you were Peter?

Read Acts11:1-18. Put yourself back in that time—do you think you would have been in favor of what Peter did or critical of it? Why?

What's a risk you have taken sometime in your life?

Has there ever been a time when you've taken a risk for God? What was it and what happened? How did you feel after?

Why is it OK to take a risk in a community called a "church"? What happens if you fail?

What is one risk you feel God is wanting you to take?

*A LifeGroup is a group of people who are committed to loving each other and growing through times like these. For more information, connect with Pastor Len at len@marinerscc.org