Title: Break Through not Threw

Text: "The Lord has **broken through** my enemies before me like a breaking flood. Therefore, the name of that place is called **Baal** -**Perazim**." (2 Samuel 5:20)

Target: Every flood began with a drop of rain, every blizzard began with a snowflake, and every breakthrough began with a prayer for change.

I. The Breakdown for Breakthrough:

- **A.** The Point of Pain: "For I am ready to fall, and my pain is ever before me...I am weary and worn out." (Psalms 38:17, Proverbs 30:1)
 - 1. The Hurt done to you.
 - 2. The Mistake made by you.
 - 3. The Addiction holding you.
 - 4. The Situation is overwhelming you.
- **B.** The Pursuit of Deliverance: "Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed?" (Jeremiah 15:18)
 - 1. Chasing Answers.
 - 2. Find Comfort in the wrong places.
 - 3. Feel forever Stuck.
 - 4. Lost Hope.
- II. The Breakaways before Breakthrough:
 - A. The Purpose of Purification: "Behold, I have refined you, but not as silver; I have tried you in the furnace of affliction." (Isaiah 48:10)
 - 1. The Waiting: (Isaiah 8:17)
 - **2.** The Testing: (James 1:2)
 - **3.** The Crushing: (Psalm 34:18)
 - B. The Revelation of Refusal: "But your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you so that HE does not hear." (Isaiah 59:2)
 - **1. Bitterness & Unforgiveness:** (Eph. 4:31-32)
 - 2. Unconfessed Sin: (Prov. 28:13)
 - 3. **Disobedience to God:** (Luke 6:46)
 - **4. Unbelieving Heart:** (James 1:6-8)
 - **5. Impure Motives:** (James 4:3)
- III. The <u>Breakout of Breakthrough:</u> "And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." (John 8:32)
 - A. Identity in Christ: (Galatians 2:20)
 - **B. Appetite for the Word:** (Matt. 4:4)
 - C. Renewed Mind: (Romans 12:2)
 - D. Aligned to God's Will: (1 John 5:14-15)
 - E. Defeat the Enemy: (2 Cor. 10:4)
 - F. Persistent in Prayer: (1 Thess. 5:17, Eph. 6:18)
 - **G. Trust God is Able:** (Hebrews 13:6)
 - H. Stand Firm: (2 Chronicles 20:17)
- **IV.** The Break-fast of Breakthrough: "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied." (Matthew 5:6)

- A. Deeper sense of God daily: (Isaiah 30:21)
- B. Join God at work around you: (Isaiah 6:8)
- C. Dependency on the Holy Spirit: (Galatians 5:25)
- **D.** Believe God is for you: (Romans 8:31)
- E. Reject Shame & Guilt: (John 3:17, Romans 8:1, Revelation 12:11)

Takeaway: God may not give the breakthrough to you (yet), but God has begun the breakthrough in you (now).