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## REDEEMED AND RESTORED: GRADUATION DAY AT ANCHOR!!

We are overjoyed to celebrate two of our recent Anchor graduates, Kelly Orman and Kane Hawkins! Their stories are unique, but they share a common thread—God's faithfulness in the middle of brokenness.



Kelly reflects on a turning point in his journey, "Like the lepers in 2 Kings 7:3, I realized that if I stayed in my current position, I would surely die. I was tired of doing things my way. I had to make a decision to cry out to God for help. I had to completely surrender control of my life as I knew it. I was scared, because I had lived in sin and addiction for decades. But God, reached down from heaven and pulled me out of the total despair I had placed myself in. He rescued me into His loving arms. He gave me a new heart."

Kane offers this encouragement to those still in the fight. "To any struggling drug addicts out there who are longing to get free from the chains of addiction the only way to get free is to let Jesus Christ set you free. Addiction is a symptom of our sinful nature but when the Holy Spirit comes to live in you, you become a new creation and old things pass away! John 8:36 and 2 Corinthians3:17"



Psalm 34:18 reminds us, "The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit." We've seen that truth lived out through these men. They've persevered through the ups and downs of recovery, built new habits, and grown in their knowledge of the gospel. Most importantly, they've learned to depend on Christ as their anchor.

As they step into this next chapter, we rejoice in the transformation God has begun—and we trust He will continue the good work He started (Philippians 1:6). Please join us in praying for Kelly & Kane as they continue to walk in grace, surrounded by community, and grounded in the truth of God's Word. To God alone be the glory!

## DOES ACCOUNTABILITY REALLY MATTER?

Addiction loves isolation. It grows in the dark. But real freedom? That happens in the light of Jesus and in the kind of honest, Christ-centered community where people do life together.

For men coming out of addiction, accountability isn't just a suggestion — it's absolutely a necessity. Our freedom doesn't come from trying harder. It comes from dying to self daily and wholly giving ourselves over to Jesus. It comes from having other believers around you who in the love of Christ, speak truth, are encouragers, and offer forgiveness and grace on those hard days.

James 5:16 says, "Confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed." Galatians 6:2 tells us to "bear one another's burdens." In other words, we're not meant to go it alone.

Anchor That's whv. at Ministries, accountability is a daily part of life. Through Bible study. discipleship, community involvement, and honest brotherhood, men are learning to walk in freedom together, honestly and with Christ at the lead. They're encouraged to be real about their struggles, seek godly wisdom, and remind one another of who they are in Christ

Charles Spurgeon once said, "It is a very healthy sign in a Christian when he is willing to be rebuked for Christ's sake.".

In other words, accountability isn't a burden — it's a gift. It helps guard us from pride, isolation, and falling back into old patterns.

And John Piper puts it like this: "Sanctification is a community project." We grow best together — in grace, in truth, and in love.

## Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another." – Proverbs 27:17

Real freedom isn't just about staying clean — it's about becoming more like Jesus. And that kind of transformation happens in gospel community, where brothers walk alongside each other and the church steps in to pray, encourage, and surround these men with the love and truth of Christ. It's not just a program — it's the body of Christ coming together to build one another up in faith.

LADIES! NEW ANCHOR TEES
FAITH IN EVERY THREAD

Anchor Ministries' new women's T-shirts are here!
Only \$20 each in a beautiful new color. These shirts don't just look great—they help change lives. All proceeds

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