New Beginnings Community Church
Date: November 15, 2026
Speaker: Senior Pastor Hurmon Hamilton

Life Group Discussion Notes

OVERFLOW: To God Be the Glory!

Scripture used: John 12:27–29 (NIV); Psalm 34:1–3 (NKJV); 1 John 3:16–18 (NLT)

OVERVIEW

As Pastor Hurmon was leaving home for a nine-day trip through five states, his wife Rhonda told him how wonderful it was that people were inviting him into important moments, like a wedding and a retirement. She called it an outpouring of love and blessing on his life. In the Uber, her words came back to him. He thought of the overlooked, isolated child he once was and how God had transformed his life. His heart began to sing "My Tribute" by Andraé Crouch, and he stumbled into an understanding of worship. Kicking off the series Overflow, he taught that worship begins in our heart, involves our whole life, and overflows to others through the generosity God has shown us.

KEY POINTS

1. **Worship begins in the heart, with gratitude.** Pastor Hurmon said worship starts when our gratitude connects with the generosity of God. That generosity shows up in the breath we breathe, the heart that keeps beating, and waking up this morning. In the Hebrew sense, the heart is where we become aware of how good and generous God has been, and Psalm 34:1–3 (NKJV) invites us to magnify the Lord together.
2. **Worship involves our whole life, daily.** He defined worship as giving God our heart and our whole life, every day. He gave the acronym HEART: Honor God, Express love and gratitude, Attend to His voice, Release ourselves to God, and Take His love with us everywhere. Every time we surrender our will, burdens, resources, or plans, we are worshiping.
3. **Worship overflows to others through self-giving love.** To live the Jesus way is to live a life of daily worship, and the heart of Jesus' love is agape: willing the good of others and giving ourselves because we have received so much. 1 John 3:16–18 (NLT) asks how God's love can be in us if we see a brother or sister in need and show no compassion. Pastor Hurmon asked what it would say about NBCC if we worshiped on Sunday and walked by neighbors in North Fair Oaks, next to our Redwood City campus, and the Horace Mann community in San Jose.
4. **Let God be glorified in our generosity.** On Be a Blessing Day, the church left its two campuses to serve in those communities, and the Be a Blessing Fund gave over $100,000 to six partners. Glorify, he said, means to turn the light on so people can see that God is good. He closed with the story of a struggling NBCC member who insisted on giving a sacrificial cash offering, which Pastor Hurmon saw as saying, "Lord, be glorified."

DISCUSSION

1) **HEAR -** Worship begins in our heart, involves our whole life, and overflows to others. As we recognize God's generosity, gratitude moves us to give ourselves daily so that others can see His goodness.
2) **UNDERSTAND -** Where have you noticed God's generosity this week, in ordinary things like your breath, your work, or the people who love you? Which part of HEART is hardest for you right now: honoring, expressing gratitude, attending to His voice, releasing, or taking His love with you? Who near you might see God's goodness through your generosity?
3) **DO -** This week, pray the prayer Pastor Hurmon taught: "Lord, let my daily life bring You glory." Then choose one way to show God's generosity, such as forgiving someone who hurt you, showing kindness and empathy, or giving time or resources to someone others overlook.

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