



CLOSING CONTEXT

NOTE: Opening Context Part I speaker does this talk

TIMING: Sunday afternoon, after “Sweetly Broken”

PURPOSE: To recap, affirm and challenge the attendees

ENERGY: Sovereign, strong center, encouraging and enthusiastic

MATERIALS: The Vessel of Water on a small table. Vessel should be filled $\frac{3}{4}$ with water with two silver rocks and one of the broken halves in it. Have one extra silver rock on the table, along with a small cloth.

THE TALK

Sisters! Do you know WHO you ARE?

Tell me! **[Let them speak out who they are.]**

This weekend you came to the foot of the Cross open and risking. You became aware of rocks that weigh you down. You fought through lies and fears. You released shame. You received blessing and welcomed the truth about you.

In weakness and humility, you made space for God and His truth.

You came home to YOU.

That is REAL. This is not just some mountain top experience. You came HOME.

You have been on a journey this weekend.

[Pointing to the vessel of water]

This vessel has been a symbol of your experience.

What do you notice about the vessel this morning? **[They answer]**

It is not as full of rocks as it was on Friday. You have been letting go and emptying yourselves, making space to experience more of God’s Spirit.

But, there are still rocks remaining.

Here is a reality: This is a lifelong process, and we gave you a taste of how to walk with God. It doesn’t stop here.

You are created to be filled with God’s loving presence.

Yet, you are human, and you will continue to attempt to fill yourselves, acting as if you were God.

Say after me: *"I am not God. I'm just human."*

So, how do we go forward from here? We continue to do what we did this weekend.

Bring into the light what is hidden.

Invite God's presence in.

Make space by letting go.

Be filled.

Now, you will put some rocks back in after the weekend. **[Put a rock in the vessel.]**

No worries. Just acknowledge it and let it go. **[Take one back out.]**

You will have new hurts and wounds. But, instead of burying them under your false selves, bring them into the light and meet God's love and be healed.

This is the way life is.

You know how to do this. You know WHO you ARE.

[Fill the vessel with more water.]

You are vessels of God's Spirit. Created to experience HIS LOVE and POWER.

NOW, GO in this reality, confident that God is with you. Your sisters are with you.

You have what it takes because intimacy is restored in Christ. He is with you. BE WHO YOU ARE.

[Prayer]

"Father, thank you for meeting your daughters, and revealing to them who they are, in you. Anchor this reality within them as they leave this weekend. In Jesus Name, Amen."