



GRACE PLACE

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It was a real privilege to have Karl Mecklenburg as our guest speaker recently at both Sunday morning services at Grace Place. He was very responsive to communications in advance and showed up early. In just a few minutes it was clear to me that Karl was not just a good football player; he is a good person.

His message was engaging, humorous, and well delivered, with lessons for young and old. It was more than just a motivational speech, with references to scripture and faith.

Because our church was in the middle of a series on our eight core values, Karl agreed to highlight one of our values: "God Deserves Our Best." While Karl shared stories and principles that he probably includes in other talks, he adapted them in such a way that it felt like a custom made presentation just for Grace Place.

I knew that Karl would do well on stage, but what pleasantly surprised me was how warm, personable, and available he was to people after the services—signing autographs, allowing people to take pictures with him, and signing his book.

Because of Karl's celebrity status, it was an easy and fun weekend for inviting friends to church. As a result, many people were introduced to church and Christ, and our attendance was the highest non -Easter number of the whole year!

Feel free to contact me with questions.

Blessings,

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Lead Pastor