HORSE WEEKEND INFORMATION

- Todd visited Flatirons in 2024, and did similar presentations that <u>can be seen here</u>.
- Todd has been working with horses for a very long time and has trained hundreds
 of horses this way in that time. He's very experienced and we're confident in his
 ability as well as his care for these animals. Some of the horses that Todd trained in
 similar presentations have gone on to be among the most valued in the equine
 industry, including serving as support animals in the PBR and ranking among top
 barrel racers in the sport.
- The stage is surrounded by special bars that are made for containing animals similar to the ones used in arenas, and the stage itself is reinforced to handle the weight of the horses.
- A special surface will be installed on stage for the weekend to keep the horses as safe as possible. They will also have access to their trailers outside directly from the stage, and a companion horse will be accompanying the horses who are participating in services. A trained veterinarian will be on-site for each service to ensure the horses are safe and well cared for.
- The process of training a horse this way is common and not harmful to the horses. Even being in front of a crowd, under lights, and around music will not impact the horse negatively.
- Nothing about this process is scripted. A different untrained horse will be part of each service, and Todd reacts to the horse's individual personality each time, so every service will be a different experience.
- Todd will encounter each of these horses for the first time on the day of the services, but they were brought in from farms across Colorado and Wyoming.
 After this training, or what's commonly called starting, the horses will be taken back to farms where they will be used for a variety of purposes depending on their personality, unless there's interest in the public purchasing any of them.
- If you want to learn more about Todd Pierce and Riding High Ministries, check out ridinghighministries.org.

