



Wednesday, August 11th, 2021

Series: "Honor"

TWCC Sermon Connection Outline: "Honoring Our Mission to Build the Church"

GOD'S HONOR PRINCIPLE

Read 1 Samuel 2:30 (NLT)

- This is God's _____ Principle. In tonight's focus we wish to communicate the importance of HONORING our great Mission to _____ the Church and _____ the Church.
- We are also to ascertain and accept the responsibility of _____ everyone's place, grace, race, and part in the _____. In other words, everyone is to take part in the getting the **MISSION** accomplished, and everyone should _____, value, esteem each other's role and responsibilities within the **BODY**.
- **Read 1 Corinthians 12:22 - 26 (NKJV)**

HOW GOD BUILDS EVERYTHING - A PATTERN TO LEARN

- **Read Jeremiah 6:16 (NLT)**
- **What are some of the Ancient Paths (Old Godly Ways):** (1) Modesty, (2) _____, (3) Holy Matrimony, (4) Missions, (5) _____, (6) Prophecy, (7) Demonstrations of the Spirit, (8) Faith and the Authority of the Believer, etc.
- How God _____ the Church is how we _____ the Church.
- **Numbers 3:17 (NLT)** - "Levi had three sons, whose names were Gershon, Kohath, and Merari."
- **These were the 3 Sons of Levi the Priest:**
 - **MERARITES** - **Read Numbers 3:36 - 37 (NIV)** They oversaw and were responsible for the _____ and the _____ things.
 - **GERSHONITES** - **Read Numbers 3:25 (NIV)** They oversaw and were responsible for the _____ part of the Tabernacle (Church).
 - **KOHATHITES** - **Read Numbers 3:31 (NIV)** They were responsible for the _____ of the Tabernacle (Church).
- We should see three things / truths here: **(1) UNITY**, **(2) DIVERSITY**, and **(3) COMMUNITY**. All for one common purpose and cause - **BUILD** the Church (Tabernacle). **Read 1 Peter 2:9 - 10; Revelation 1:5, 6**

THE GENERAL WILL OF GOD FOR EVERY BELIEVER

- **Read Matthew 16:13 - 19 (NKJV)**
- For over 2,000 years, Jesus our Lord and our Leader in the Body of Christ has never _____ or **REDACTED** this Mission Statement. How is that for a Long-Term Strategy and Plan? And when Jesus says I will _____ my Church it means that His fully committed followers also will _____ His Church. We are to follow our Lord and Leader - Jesus Christ. These verses are the reason we are alive!
- **DON'T LOSE THE PASSION TO BUILD THE CHURCH!**
- These verses of Scripture describe our over-arching _____ and General Will for all of us. When you find God's _____ for your life it will change your life!
- Far too many well-meaning Christians struggle to _____ God's Will, or they struggle to _____ God's Will.
- However, when you find your eternal and earthly **PURPOSE**, you will find: **(1) _____** and **(2) ENERGY**. **Never lose your passion for BUILDING the Church and keep yourselves from disconnecting from or dishonoring this Big Mission from our Lord Jesus Christ!**

- There are three primary fundamental **PEOPLE** we are to **IMPACT** and **INFLUENCE** to _____ the Church:
 - **(#1) - The _____ and the _____** - Reach the _____ (Unsaved) and Restore/Reconcile the **LONELY** (Unchurched). Our great _____ is to make Heaven bigger and the Church bigger and better!
 - **(#2) - _____** - Revive and raise an _____ of Soldier Servants and not just an _____ of sitting Saints. Our faith and faithfulness are not about sitting and watching - but serving and sowing our time, talent, treasure and testimony to the Glory of God and the **BUILDING** of His Church.
 - **(#3) - _____** - Raise intelligent and godly leaders. **Read Exodus 18:13 - 23 (NKJV)**. Why Leaders? Because we can't stay _____ if we lack Leadership in the Church. The Church needs leaders. And leadership is hard - because when you become a Leader you lose the right to think about yourself and act selfishly.
- **The Verses of Scripture from Jesus give us two big truths to takeaway and HONOR the Mission and General Will God has given all of us: (1st)** - The purpose you are on the earth: _____ THE CHURCH (Generally and specifically); **(2nd)** - Jesus gave the Church _____ to carry out His purposes and His Will on the earth.

HONORING GODLY WISDOM IN BUILDING THE CHURCH

- **Read Proverbs 24:3 - 6 (TPT)**
- There are many leadership and wisdom principles in these verses! Essentially, through God's help we can _____ better people, husbands, wives, mothers, fathers, businesspeople, etc. The Bible shows us _____. In other words, it is not just haphazard BUILDING and shotgun or fly by the seat of your pants BUILDING. Every Ministry Team Leader must develop sound **PLANNING** and **PRACTICE** skills. Why? We are supposed to be BUILDING better teams, better laborers, and better leaders!
- Here are some BUILDING PRACTICES and PRINCIPLES we must apply to _____ the Church:
- Principle: **The Law of Purpose:** (**Read Matthew 28:18 - 20 (NKJV)**). What is this Law? Our Commitment to the Commission. MAKING DISCIPLES involves: **(1) Evangelism** - Our word to the Lost - resulting in Lost people coming to Christ; **(2) Discipleship** - Our word and pathway to found people that helps them grow to spiritual maturity; **(3) Leadership Development** - Our development of mature people to reproduce other people through their lives and leadership influence and impact. This is God's Church Building System. God is a God of **STRUCTURE**, but also of **SYSTEMS** and **SPIRITUALITY**.
- Principle: **The Law of Expectation:** (**Read Mark 4:26 - 32 (NKJV); 1 Corinthians 3:6 - 10 (TPT)**) What is this Law? A Commitment to Grow - "The Status Quo is not an Option." This is an attitude and expectation that must be both _____ and **CAUGHT**. Growth must be: **(1) Normal;** **(2) Imperative;** **(3) Supernatural;** and **(4) Costly**. We should also expect and predict **barriers** to growth: Spiritual, Sociological, Structural, Spacial, etc.
- Principle: **The Law of Design:** (**Read Ephesians 4:11 - 16 (NLT)**). What is this Law? Every Member is a Minister. As a growing Church we are to empower leaders to equip the saints and expect every member to function as a minister. We are to not just count the size of the _____ but count the **LABORERS** and _____. Under this Law of Design in the Local Church: **(1) Leaders are equippers not educators;** **(2) Members are ministers** (**1 Peter 2:4 (NLT)** - "You are coming to Christ, who is the living cornerstone of God's temple. He was rejected by people, but he was chosen by God for great honor." And **(3) No one ministers alone in independence, insubordination, or isolation** (ref **Acts 1:8** and **Romans 12**).