

CORE STRENGTH

WE ARE BUILDING HIS KINGDOM - It's Bigger Than Us

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I. 1 Cor 3:1-11

A. Crossroads Core Values

1. **We Want To Be With Him** - His Presence Means Everything
2. **We Do Life Together** - Relationships Make Us Stronger
3. **We Pull on the Leash** - Big Faith, Big Risks, Big God!
4. **We Live Generously** - Freely We Receive, Freely We Give
5. **We Bring Our "A" Game** - Excellence Reflects God
6. **We Take Nothing For Granted** - Appreciation Is Fuel For The Future
7. **We Go Low and Grow** - Humble and Teachable
8. **We Live with Honor & Integrity** - Value People & What is Right
9. **We Pursue Our Green** - Live From And For His Purpose
10. **We Are Building His Kingdom** - It's Bigger Than Us!

II. 1 Cor 3:1-8

A. Kingdom - *basileia* - Royalty, rule; realm or area under one's rule, lordship and authority.

1. Luke 9:49-50

B. "Building" His Kingdom is a P _____

1. Fellow Workers - *sunergos* - Co-labor, work together with; partner
2. Tony Robbins said - "Change is inevitable; Progress is optional"

C. Building a Kingdom is about building P _____

1. Luke 17:21 21...For indeed, the kingdom of God is within you.
 - a) Within - Inside; The contents of that which is inside

III. 3 Steps to Life in the Kingdom-

A. R _____

B. R _____

C. R _____

IV. Recognizing His Kingdom - A _____

A. Matt 4:17 17 From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

1. Repent - *metanoeo* - Think differently, change your way of life as the result of a complete change of thought and attitude.

B. John 3:3 3 Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

C. Col 1:13-14

V. Receiving His Kingdom - A _____

A. Prayer - Relationship

1. **Matt 6:10** 10 Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.
2. **Matt 13:18-19**
3. **Mark 10:15** 15 Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.

B. Pursuit - Has to be pursued

1. **Matt 6:33** 33 But **seek** first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.
2. **Rom 12:2** 2 And do not be conformed to this world (kingdom), but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God
3. **Luke 12:32** 32 Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.
 - a) **Good pleasure** - *eudokeo* - To take pleasure in something in that if fulfills His desires, to enjoy

VI. Reproduce His Kingdom - A _____

- A. **Matt 10:7-8** 7 And as you go, preach, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' 8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give.
- B. **Luke 10:8-9**
- C. **Matt 24:14**
- D. **Matt 16:18-19**
- E. **1 Cor 4:20**
- F. **1 Cor 2:4-5**

VII. We Are Building His Kingdom - It's Bigger Than Us!

- A. **Acts 2:41** 41 Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them.
- B. **Acts 2:47** 47 And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved
- C. **Acts 5:14** 14 And believers were increasingly added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women
- D. **Acts 6:7** 7 Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.
- E. **Acts 9:31** 31 Then the churches throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and were edified. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, they were multiplied.
- F. **Acts 11:24** 24 For he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord.