

What Am I After? (Family Talk Time) Sunday August 03, 2008

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#1. A deeper level of intimacy with God

that goes beyond doing the right things, living a right life, having right theology, etc. All these are good and essential but they are not an end in themselves. I want to experience more of God! There is much more to God.

Psalm 27:4

One thing I have desired of the LORD, That will I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD All the days of my life, To behold the beauty of the LORD, And to inquire in His temple.

You must seek after the thing(s) you are desiring of the Lord You must pursue.

Sometimes we confuse "knowledge" and experience. Having knowledge of something is not the same as experiencing it.

God wants us to not only know Him but to also experience Him.

"Taste and see that the Lord is good" (Psalm 34:8)

#2. An authentic steady flow of the supernatural : signs, wonders and miracles

Whether this comes through a revival or some other means...we must pursue this. I desire to raise up a church where the supernatural is so part of our culture, where every believer is naturally supernatural.

Mark 3:14,15

14 Then He appointed twelve, that they might be with Him and that He might send them out to preach, 15 and to have power to heal sicknesses and to cast out demons:

Acts 4:13,14

13 Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus. 14 And seeing the man who had been healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.

Why is this important:

- 1. It is normal to be like Jesus (1 John 2:6). Jesus walked in the supernatural and we must walk as He walked (John 14:12).
- 2. Hurting people need the power of God. God demonstrates His love. The cross is the ultimate expression of God's love. Further Jesus moved with compassion healed people, cast out devils and worked miracles.
- 3. The Gospel of the Kingdom is a gospel of power. The Gospel that Jesus preached was accompanied with demonstrations of miraculous power. This is the same Gospel He gave to His disciples to preach. This is the same Gospel that Paul preached with signs and wonders accompanying. And this is the Gospel we are called to preach.

Lakeland visit reflections:

It is true that we did not experience an explosion as we expected. But we must not get discouraged. We must continue to press in for a revival of the supernatural.



#3. Building a church of influence

a church that is truly salt and light in the city and a voice to the nation of India and to the nations

Jesus commissioned us to preach the Gospel, but He also commanded us to disciple nations. An individual can disciple an individual – but only a community can disciple a community and a nation can disciple a nation.

Everything we are doing: CGs, Foundations, BC, Elevate, MEGA, EWM, Publications, etc...are in some way designed to make this happen.

What does a church of influence look like?

- It is a strong nation, a strong community in itself (cell groups are important)
- Its people are equipped, commissioned and released to conquer the 7 mountains of society in our city and nations

Some of us may say, why should I be concerned with this? I've got my own dreams that I am pursuing. That is good. But then each of us must make a choice to live for a bigger purpose. There are other things I am pursuing in my family, personal and professional life. And yet amidst all of that I want to invest in building a church of influence.

My greatest desire is to model these 3 things before you. I want to model this kind of life – a life of intimacy with God, a life that is naturally supernatural and a life that is one of influence in one or more mountains in society. This will be my greatest sermon – the life I model before you.

Can we walk this journey together?

We must be in agreement.

Amos 3:3

Can two walk together, unless they are agreed?

Matthew 18:19

"Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven.

Genesis 11:6

And the LORD said, "Indeed the people are one and they all have one language, and this is what they begin to do; now nothing that they propose to do will be withheld from them.

Sermon Notes





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