

Sunday August 09, 2020 Your More is in God

Your more is in God Your increase is in God.

We are all eager and desiring for growth.

THERE IS NOTHING WRONG WITH GROWTH, INCREASE OR FRUITFULNESS.

John 15:8

By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.

GOD IS NOT AGAINST YOU INCREASING

Job 8:7

Though your beginning was small, Yet your latter end would increase abundantly.

Deuteronomy 28:11

And the LORD will grant you plenty of goods, in the fruit of your body, in the increase of your livestock, and in the produce of your ground, in the land of which the LORD swore to your fathers to give you.

King David 2 Samuel 12:7-8

7 Then Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the LORD God of Israel: 'I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you from the hand of Saul.

8 I gave you your master's house and your master's wives into your keeping, and gave you the house of Israel and Judah. And if that had been too little, I also would have given you much more!

HOWEVER, WE MUST PURSUE INCREASE IN THE PROPER MANNER

Avoid wrong motivations and wrong methods (means) for increase

Wrong motivations

competition, jealousy

2 Corinthians 10:12

For we dare not class ourselves or compare ourselves with those who commend themselves. But they, measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise.

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Wrong methods

Proverbs 13:11 Wealth gained by dishonesty will be diminished, But he who gathers by labor will increase.

Proverbs 22:16 He who oppresses the poor to increase his riches, And he who gives to the rich, will surely come to poverty.

Proverbs 28:8 One who increases his possessions by usury and extortion Gathers it for him who will pity the poor.

LOOK TO GOD ALONE FOR YOUR INCREASE, BECAUSE YOUR 'MORE' IS IN GOD

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Psalm 85:12 Yes, the LORD will give what is good; And our land will yield its increase.

Psalm 105:24 He increased His people greatly, And made them stronger than their enemies.

Psalm 115:14 May the LORD give you increase more and more, You and your children.

1 Corinthians 3:6-7 6 I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase. 7 So then neither he who plants is anything, nor he who waters, but God who gives the increase.

LET GOD BUILD INCREASE THROUGH YOU AS YOU BUILD WITH HIM

Psalm 127:1

Unless the LORD builds the house, They labor in vain who build it; Unless the LORD guards the city, The watchman stays awake in vain.

HONOR GOD WITH YOUR INCREASE

This demonstrates your recognition that your increase has come from God. Give God the glory. Give to bless others.



Psalm 62:10

Do not trust in oppression, Nor vainly hope in robbery; If riches increase, Do not set your heart on them.

Proverbs 3:9 Honor the LORD with your possessions, And with the firstfruits of all your increase;

Deuteronomy 14:22

"You shall truly tithe all the increase of your grain that the field produces year by year.

2 Corinthians 9:10

Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness,

Do not say 'my hand or my power'

Deuteronomy 8:17-19

17 then you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gained me this wealth.'

18 "And you shall remember the LORD your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day.19 Then it shall be, if you by any means forget the LORD your God, and follow other gods, and serve them and worship them, I testify against you this day that you shall surely perish.





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The is a simple guide for use in Life Group discussions. Our objective is to focus on the application of the Sunday sermon - how each one is becoming a doer of the Word and building their life on God's Holy Word. The Life Group meeting would normally last for 2 hours. Each Life Group would have up to 12-15 people.

Preparation

To prepare for the Life Group meeting, you can listen to the Sermon Key Points (sermon summary in five minutes) or the full length Sunday sermon. You can also review the Sunday Sermon notes. All these are available in the "All Peoples Church Bangalore" mobile App or online at <u>apcwo.org/sermons</u>. Pray for the Life Group meeting and invite the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit.

Welcome

The Life Group meeting may commence with a time of prayer, worship and a fun activity.

LISTEN to God's Word

Read the following Scripture passages: Genesis 26:1-6,12-14; Psalm 105:8; Psalm 33:18-19; Psalm 37:18-19

INVESTIGATE God's Word Together

Please discuss a few of these together, giving time for people to share their insights. We encourage each one individually to make notes of their personal learning during the Group discussion.

1) Can God truly cause us to be fruitful in famine? What are some ways by which God can cause us to be fruitful - share personal stories or possible scenarios.

2) Review the four insights we drew from the incident in Isaac's life and discuss how we can apply them in our lives:

- 1, Listen to God
- 2, Don't give up your inheritance in time of famine
- 3, Believe in god's covenant with you
- 4, Sow, expecting to be fruitful

3) Pray for each other to be fruitful even in famine. Welcome the work of the Holy Spirit to cause this to happen.



If time permits, each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share one or two key learning and how they see themselves applying it into their specific life situations. Encourage each one to participate and share.

FELLOWSHIP by sharing your life and spiritual journey

Each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share anything from their walk with God, something God has been teaching them, a testimony of answered prayer or a specific challenge that they would like prayer for. Encourage each one to participate and share.

ENCOURAGE each other by praying and ministering to one another

Get into small groups of two or three and take turns to thank God and pray for each other in the light of what was learnt today. Listen to the Holy Spirit. Expect the gifts of the Holy Spirit to flow bringing healing, releasing miracles, prophecy, etc.

Regroup and pray together for:

1, families to be protected and strengthened

2, a mighty outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on us as a church and through us to bless many others in our city and nation. Nothing but a mighty work of God's Spirit can change our city and nation.

3, for the BUILD TO IMPACT project - for God's hand to guide us through the land search and acquisition process, and for finances to be more than enough to get this project done.

Close by thanking God together.

Sermon Notes





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