

Equipping the Saints #16

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Monday:

When I'm gone, I expect you, this younger generation, to carry on what's been started here. So, pay attention. When you make the Kingdom of God the most important thing, all these other things, everything else in your life, will start to come into proper perspective and proper order.

You are not on the planet right now by any accident and God is trusting you, and people like you, to take the Kingdom of God into the world.

A long time ago the Lord said this to me, *"The poor in America need the church, but not nearly as much as the church needs the poor"*. On the heels of that, He also said, *"There's incredible potential in the poor in your community, and no one is contending for them"*.

It's very customary right now for the people of God to be going through some massive tests in their lives. Have you noticed that? So, that's a good thing, because He's getting you into the best place that He can get you, for this move that's happening already.

Please read Ephesians 4:1-7, which has a great deal to do with the unity in the body of Christ. In this scripture, the word "one" is used 9 times. There's really only one church, and we're all a part of it.

A lot of what we are doing around here is breaking your Bible Belt mentality and helping you to adapt to the kingdom mentality. This is our contribution to the whole body of Christ in our area. That's who we are.

Tuesday:

Distinctions between elders and deacons: Elders take care of the spiritual needs of the body, to pray for the people and the ministry of the word. Deacons take care of the natural things in the body. Both are extremely important. Deacons are not a lesser call.

I get choked up a lot of times because I have a love, a deep, deep love, that God has given me. I know it's a God-given love for the church, for what the church is becoming, and what the church is supposed to be. It can be frustrating. I'm not just talking about Trinity. I'm talking about the whole church, world wide.

There's a change happening at the grassroots level. It's profound. It's happening. God's going to give every little spot in the road, every little country church to every mega church, the opportunity to get in on what He's doing. But it needs to be done His way.

It's an organism, not an organization. This only happens as a result of your personal, and our corporate interaction with the Father. You are taking your time with the Lord, right? That's the secret to life and everything that life holds. That's the blueprint of how it's all supposed to be organized and take place, to expect the glory of God.

The Bible Belt mindset says, *"That's for somebody else"*. **I'm not teasing.** Because you're so conditioned by the Bible Belt, whether you've been to church or not, there's a system, a way of thinking, that influences everything you think, especially when it comes to spiritual things.

That's why God told Abraham to get out of his country, from his family and from his father's house, to a land that God would show him.

Wednesday:

Those of you who made the jump understand that you have to come out from underneath some of those things that are holding you back and have defined you and have defined the church, and get into a place where God can show you who you are. You had better be listening to what God's saying to you, or you're going to stay like you were.

You can't know Him until you give Him access to your life. That's the only way it happens. All you have to do is set your mind to **do** something, rather than just coming here to get fed and not do anything with it. Get fed to **do** something with it. **I'm serious about this** because now is the time that these things are being breathed on by God. I'm talking to you young lions. What will you do with this stuff?

The Lord has given us a lot of revelation on all this stuff. You're being equipped, right now, today, to be an ambassador for the Kingdom of God here on earth. It's to help others to see the Father like you see Him.

The more time you spend with the Father, the clearer you see Him. The more time you put in, in that way... in your quiet time, just meditating, just soaking in the presence of God, the more you start to become like Him.

It's time to step up. I wrestled a little bit with whether to put this in my notes or not, but it's time for everyone to step up.

When you begin to embrace the truths that we're talking about around here, your life starts to take on the value that God has placed on and you begin to start to experience and enjoy it's challenges. You start to enjoy and experience your life for the adventure that God has ordained for it to be for you.

I'm trying to get you to embrace these truths so that your life will take on a value that the Father places on it. **I'm serious about this.** Don't miss your destiny. Don't miss the reason you're here.

Thursday:

You are supposed to be somebody's light. You're an ambassador for the Kingdom of God. It's a kingdom of light and love. You carry more as a kingdom person than you think you do. When you enter a room the atmosphere shifts, and people are aware. The more you interact with the Father, the more of that you carry. People are drawn into your presence.

I'm talking about the stuff that I believe is on the front burner for the Father, that God wants to speak to the church. **So let's demystify the word, "ministry". For the kingdom person, everything you do is ministry.** Because you carry the presence of God. People are drawn and attracted to that. People understand that there's something different and unique about you.

Ministry can be anything from doing something like I'm doing up here, to praying over someone. "God fixed my situation. I know He can fix your situation. Let me pray for you". God's just looking for people who are available and people who are willing to step out by faith.

So, don't miss your destiny. A ministry could be anything from praying with someone to giving someone an encouraging word, or just giving them a scripture that kind of fits their situation that they are going through. Tell them your story, because that's important.

Your story needs to be told, because it's evidence of the goodness and the glory of God in your own life. You can even just meet someone's natural need, by taking them to buy groceries if they need them.

Pay close attention to your heart. Who are you drawn to? Don't complicate it. You have to cross the threshold of fear of doing it. You have to face your fears. That helps you identify your field of ministry.

Friday:

Start with your family. From there, with the people who God has arranged and brought around you for you to influence with the Kingdom of God. Evangelism is best done through relationships, but don't rule out the Lord using you outside your normal relationships either.

Start looking for opportunities and open doors. Don't manipulate the conversation to get around to Jesus, but when the Lord opens the door, step through it. You're an ambassador for the Kingdom of God. If anything significant happens, it was God, right? The people who have the greatest risk of pride are the people who God is doing stuff with, in, and through.

It's crazy that so many people in the Bible Belt think it's always for somebody else.

God is forming you and shaping you, conforming you into the image of Jesus. He doesn't care if you look like Jesus, or sound like Jesus. He cares if your heart is like Jesus, because that's what it's all about, is your heart.

God has thoroughly equipped you for every good work. You have it, but you have to embrace it, and by faith, you have to receive it and walk in it. It's that simple. I'm amazed at how many people don't do it.

Don't get to the end of your life and look back, saying, "*Man, I wish I would have paid attention to what oh Andy was saying back there*". Don't do that.

Your ability to do what God calls you to do is never limited. It's unlimited. He takes the natural and does the supernatural through natural people.

Saturday:

In talking about being equipped for the work of the ministry, everything is already there for you. All you have to do is embrace the truth and ask the Holy Spirit of God to help you and lead you, and you're well on your way to touching the world to the degree that God wants you to touch the world.

You have as much faith as the next guy. No one was given more faith than you. God wouldn't do that, because what He'll do for one, He will do for another. Now, what you do with that faith is going to dictate whether your faith grows or not, but you've been given enough faith to get going in the faith business.

What are you going to do with what you've learned? Some people don't do anything. Remember this whole ministry thing? It's O-J-T, On the job training. You learn as you go. You really only learn how to do ministry by stepping into the open doors that God has created.

Paul told Timothy to be instant (ready) in season and out of season. Trinity Fellowship and the whole

church, world wide, has an incredible opportunity to see the Kingdom of God come on a level that has never been greater.

People are wanting to hear the good news. They're looking for something that works. The only thing that works is the Kingdom of God and doing things the kingdom way. That's all that works.

Like the Lord told me about two years ago, **"DRAW NEAR, HANG ON"**.