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"A Kingdom Builder seeks God and puts Him first."

- The more complex your life is the more simple you need to make it.
- Have an eternal perspective!
- Get your mind on eternity and off of your troubles.
- The most important thing is the Kingdom of God and putting God first in your life.

2 Causes of Stress:

1. Indecisions –

- Putting off making decisions and procrastination.
- Procrastination paralyzes your life.
- Put God first in your life, then everything will fall into place.
- In all your decisions put God first, then He will direct your decisions and bring you success.
- God will influence your decisions which will then bring success.
- Make the most important decision put God first!

Proverbs 3:5 – 6 (AMP)

⁵ Trust in *and* rely confidently on the LORD with all your heart and do not rely on your own insight *or* <u>understanding</u>.

⁶ In all your ways know and acknowledge and recognize Him, and He will make your paths straight and smooth [removing obstacles that block your way].

2. Feel Out of Control -

- Feel your life is overwhelming.
- Feel you can't keep the pace of life and are losing your drive.
- Feel defeated.
- Put your life in God's control!
- Put God in control of your life then you will have rest and peace!
- Put God first and in control then you will have growth and success!

• Give it all to Him!

1 Peter 5:7 (KJV)

⁷Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you.

• Everything will work out.

Romans 8:26 – 28 (KJV)

²⁶ Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

²⁷ And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

²⁸ And we know that <u>all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the</u> <u>called according to his purpose</u>.

Matthew 6:25, 30 & 33 (AMP)

²⁵ "Therefore I tell you, stop being worried *or* anxious (perpetually uneasy, distracted) about your life, as to what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, as to what you will wear. Is life not more than food, and the body more than clothing?

³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive *and* green today and tomorrow is [cut and] thrown [as fuel] into the furnace, *will He* not much more *clothe* you? You of little faith!

³³ But first *and* most importantly seek (aim at, strive after) His kingdom and His righteousness [His way of doing and being right—the attitude and character of God], and all these things will be given to you also.

- Don't be controlled by your worries, concerns and anxieties
- Cast all your cares, concerns, and agenda on God He will take care of you!
- Little faith worries!
- Worry robs your future.
- Worry chokes God's Word!
- Worry is disobedience to God!
- Worry divides the mind!
- Worry slows down your spiritual growth!
- Worship God not worry!
- Seek God first!

Where is the Kingdom of God?

- The Kingdom of God is within you.
- Becoming a Christian by being born again in Christ.
- Becoming spirit-filled.
- Turning your life over to God.

Luke 17:20 (KJV)

²⁰ And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation.

• The Kingdom within you.

Who is going to be the Greatest in the Kingdom of God?

- Servant leadership is the greatest in the Kingdom of God.
- Serving others and finding a need and filling it.

Matthew 20:20 - 26 (KJV)

²⁰ Then came to him the mother of Zebedees children with her sons, worshipping him, and desiring a certain thing of him.

²¹ And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom.

²² But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able.

²³ And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father.

²⁴ And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren.

²⁵ But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them.

²⁶ But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Where is the Kingdom of God?
- 2. Who is going to be the greatest in the Kingdom of God?

Resources:

If you would like to look at **"I Am A Kingdom Builder"** sermon series in more depth, Church On The Rock bookstore has excellent resources available.

