

BUILDING A LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP – PART II
“The Stewardship of Our Time”
Haggai 1:1-12

Busy, busy, busy! That’s an accurate description of many people’s lives. With ceaseless activities revolving around work, school, hobbies, children, and church, people often live on the edge of burnout. There aren’t enough hours in the day to get everything done, so how do you sort through what’s really important, and trim the nonessentials out of your busy schedule so that God is honored? Today’s teaching will shed some light on that issue.

#1. ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES REQUIRES EVALUATING YOUR _____ AND _____, vv. 1-2

- A. Option 1: rebuild God’s house
- B. Option 2: rebuild our houses
- C. Option 3: rebuild both at the same time
- D. They needed wisdom to think this through, Luke 12:42

#2. ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES REQUIRES PLACING GOD BEFORE OUR _____, v. 2

- A. It’s not time to build the Lord’s house
- B. It’s time to put God’s house on hold – we’ll get to him later

#3. ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES REQUIRES _____ OF PUTTING GOD IN A SECONDARY PLACE, vv. 1-11

- A. Their unwise priorities revealed the place God _____ in their lives, v. 2
- B. Their unwise priorities revealed they didn’t take the proper worship of God _____, v. 4

- C. Their unwise priorities were reflected in the _____ condition of God’s house compared to their remodeled houses, v. 4, 9
- D. Their unwise priorities frustrated their _____, vv. 5-6, 9-11
- E. Their unwise priorities revealed their _____ toward God, vv. 7-8
- F. Their unwise priorities led to excessive _____, v.9

#4. REESTABLISHING PRIORITIES NEEDS TO BE DONE THROUGH INTENSE _____, vv. 5, 7, 12

- A. The challenge: give careful thought to your ways, vv. 5, 7
- B. The people had to repent, Joel 2:12-14
- C. The people had to humble themselves, James 4:4-10
- D. The people obeyed the voice of the Lord, v. 12
- E. The people saw Haggai as God’s prophet, v. 12
- F. The people feared the Lord, v. 12

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- #1. What was the historical situation of the passage under consideration?
- #2. How do you establish priorities in your everyday life?
- #3. Why does what we do with our time and money reveal the place God occupies in our life?
- #4. Why was the Temple crucial to the proper worship of God in the Old Covenant?
- #5. Do you feel that God's house (Hillcrest church) should look as good or better than our own homes? Why or why not?
- #6. Why were the people not being prosperous? (vv. 5-6, 9-11)
- #7. How did God feel about their decision to postpone rebuilding the Temple?
- #8. Why was it that their ill-advised priorities led to excessive busyness?
- #9. Read Joel 2:12-14 and draw conclusions about repentance.
- #10. Read James 4:4-10 and draw conclusions about repentance.
- #11. What is your takeaway from this teaching?

Welcome

to

Hillcrest Church

Happy Father's Day!

You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!

Matthew 25:21

June 18, 2023
Pastor Bruce Guckelberg, PhD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

Pastor Bruce is continuing his series "Building a Life of Stewardship." Today's message will focus on the Stewardship of our time and priorities, which is always a challenge.

NEIGHBORHOOD WALKS

Join us as we visit our neighbors and invite people to church. The next date is Thursday, June 29. Meet at church at 6:30 and we will go out from there.

ONLINE GATHERINGS

The Prayer Meeting: Tuesday at 7pm with Pastor Tim Brooks
The Bible study: Wednesday at 6:30 – 7:45pm. Go to the online meeting room on our website (hillcrestRoseville.com) to access either gathering.

PROJECT "ROOF 23" – 9 DAY COUNTDOWN

The cost is about 45K depending on how much dry rot is discovered once the shingles are removed. We need everyone's help in paying for this project. Prayerfully consider making donations to the "building fund." The roof project begins Monday, June 26.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Our offering box is in the back of the sanctuary. You can place your tithes and offerings there, or you can visit our website and give online (hillcrestroseville.com).

MEN'S BREAKFAST – NEXT SATURDAY, 6.24.23

Roseville City Church has invited us to join them at 9:00 – 10:30 for breakfast, fellowship, and a devotional. Their address is: 125 Franklin St. Let Bruce know if you plan on coming so they can plan accordingly.

EAST INDIAN DINNER TOTALS

- ♣ **2022 East Indian Dinner raised over \$10,000**
- ♣ **2023 East Indian Dinner raised over \$11,000 and counting**

CHURCH IN THE PARK – AUGUST 13, 2023

Will beat Royer Park. This will be a major outreach event, not just a picnic.