

1132



for the kids

building a house for the next generation

Series Guide

April 12th - May 17th



***“Those who look
through the lens of***

***possibility
will never see***

anything

as too

big or too difficult.”

- Pastor Dustin Bates

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our vision

for the kids is more than a building project, it is a church-wide **faith journey**. It's about making room for what God wants to do next. It's about obedience today that impacts generations to come.

This resource includes a six-week sermon series, small group experience, and daily devotional. No matter where we are in our walk with Christ, He's always encouraging and inspiring each of us to take our next step and do our part to **Know God, Be Strong, and Do Great Exploits.**

Now, as we prepare to build again, we are filled with faith. We believe that when we make space, God fills it. **What we build for Him will outlive us**, pointing generations back to what God did through a faithful people who chose to obey.



Dear Church Family,

Thank you for joining us as we take a defining step of faith in the life of our church.

We moved to Texas with a passion to reach the next generation, a burden that has only grown over the years. At the time, we had no idea how close to home that burden would become as we began to raise our own family. Every week, we see people encounter the presence of God across our campuses, including our own boys. This is where they've learned to pray, worship, and love the house of God.

What God has already done in our church has been incredible. But when we think about the thousands of families in our community who still don't know Him, we know the need is too great to stay where we are. The fact is, our current facilities are maxed out. Week after week, our seating, parking, and children's areas are at capacity.

We have to build with the next generation in mind. We have to create space for the families who will one day sit in those seats, lift their hands in worship, and encounter the presence of God for the first time. Long after we're gone, this building will still house God's presence and God's people.

We know this process won't be easy and that it will require radical obedience and sacrifice from us all. We truly believe that God has stirred our hearts to build this house. And as we say, "the word of the Lord makes way for the work of the Lord." This guidebook is designed to help us stay aligned in mission and strong in our faith during this season. As we go through weekend messages, group discussions, and daily devotionals, our prayer is that this wouldn't just be a church-wide step forward, but a personal one for you and your family as well.

We are so grateful to have a church that refuses to sit on the sidelines and spectate, but is committed to participating in what God is doing. Knowing that we have people linking arms with us in prayer, faith, and generosity means the world to us.

Let's build!

— Pastor Dustin and Jamie Bates



share your story

Throughout the guide, you'll find stories of changed lives from our own people at **Church Eleven32**. These stories are a reminder of the incredible things God is continually doing through our church to empower people to **Know God, Be Strong, and Do Great Exploits**. We hope these stories inspire and encourage you as you go on this faith journey with us!

Be sure to let us know what God speaks to you during **for the kids**. Share your testimonies with us at **amen@churcheleven32.com**



how to use this guide

The **for the kids** guide has everything you will need to go on this journey.

weekly message notes

Each week begins with blank pages to take notes during the Sunday messages.

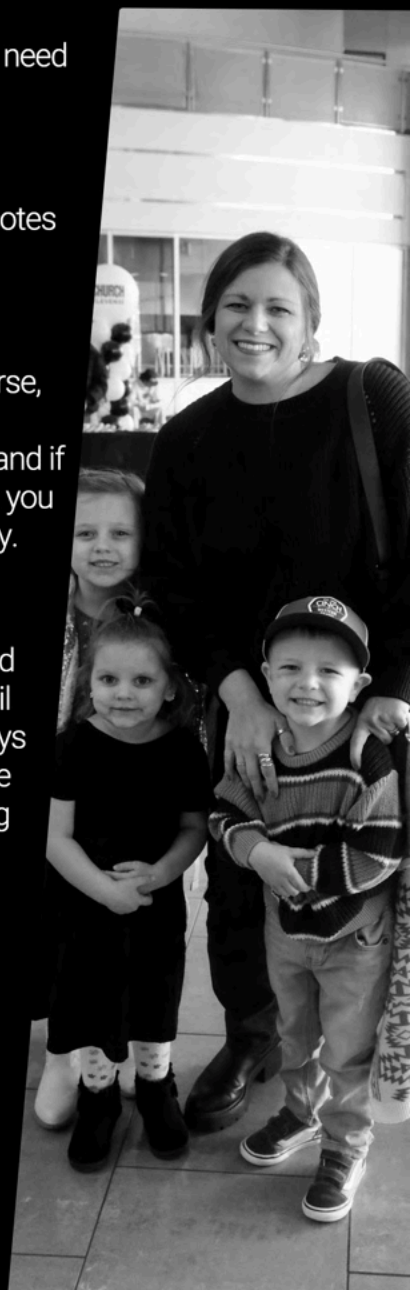
small group guides

Each week, you'll find the key thought, key verse, and discussion questions you'll use at your Group. Be sure to bring your Guide with you, and if you haven't joined a group yet, we encourage you to visit our website and find community today.

daily devotional

Finally, you will find the devotional we will read together as a church, beginning Monday, April 13th. The daily devotional takes place five days a week, Monday through Friday, and gives the opportunity to spend a few minutes reflecting and praying each day.

Our heart is that this guide is more than an informational packet, but will equip and empower you throughout the week to make spending time in church, community and daily devotion a part of your spiritual routines.



our vision

Since the beginning of **Church Eleven32**, we have carried one clear calling: to create a place where all people can **Know God, Be Strong, and Do Great Exploits**. We believe the local church is more than a building you attend or a service you watch; it's a home to belong to, a family to grow in, and a mission to be part of.

Over the years, we've seen God faithfully change lives, restore families, and raise up the next generation through the life of our church. Through every season, one truth has remained constant: the only thing that counts in this life is **the legacy you leave, what you do for Jesus, and who you introduce Him to**.

for the kids is a declaration of that belief. It's about creating spaces where children and students can safely learn who Jesus is, where families can be strengthened, and where young people can discover the purpose God has placed inside them. We are not just building rooms, we are building environments where faith is formed, identity is shaped, and lives are forever changed.

**This is more than a campaign.
It's a legacy we are building together.**

There is a place for you and your family to be part of the **vision**.



project overview

With unprecedented growth in all ministry areas of our church, there is certainly cause for celebration!

However, with continued growth come challenges to reach more people for Christ. Our kids ministry is growing faster than we can create space for it, our youth ministry is exploding with real, life-changing impact, and we have large crowds but limited space for meaningful community. To continue caring for every person who walks through the doors, we are in need of a larger facility to make **more space** for **community, secure kids areas,** and a **larger worship space.**

for the kids is an all-church campaign designed to meet the \$10M needed to begin the construction of our brand new facility.

\$10 million needed

70,000 square-foot facility

1,500-seat auditorium



Our new facility will:

- House a 1,500-seat auditorium
- Create a dedicated, premier space for our kids ministry to grow
- Provide environments designed for encounter, freedom, and discipleship
- Give our church a place to gather, connect, and build community all week
- Improve traffic flow and parking
- Become a home where families can put down roots for generations



cost information

for the kids financial need

\$10 million

This **\$10 million** will make way for a **70,000 square-foot** facility that includes a **1,500-seat auditorium**, a **massive welcome space** for community, a **state-of-the-art children's facility**, and so much more.



for the kids

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the opportunity

It is clear that we are out of space, which represents a ceiling to our ability to reach more people and see city transformation. As many of you have experienced, we have run out of parking, space in our auditorium, and our kids classes are at capacity. To meet this challenge, we are launching the **"for the kids"** campaign, a 3-year journey designed to create a place for many more people to experience God.

We recognize this God-sized task might be beyond the ability of any one person. Reaching our need of \$10 million will take all of us. This is why we are challenging our church to 100% participation in filling out a pledge card. The pledge card you will receive is much like your "pledge" toward your automobile or home. It is a 3-year commitment, from **May 2026 - May 2029**, above and beyond our tithes to make this new building possible.

The gift chart is simply a roadmap to show how we will practically meet our financial need. **Will you use it as a point of prayer and ask the Lord where He would have you "land" on the gift chart?**

Practically, we will all return our pledges together during services on **Pledge Sunday (May 10th)**. The following week is **Miracle Offering Sunday (May 17th)**, where we will all bring our best cash gift towards our total pledge. This is a part of your overall commitment to the project. All gifts received that weekend will go directly to the cash on hand we need to kick-start this project.



the opportunity

As you pray about what God might want you to give, we encourage you to embrace this as a spiritual journey with God. The amounts will differ for each person, but everyone can do something. Individually, each of us will make an impact, but when we do it together, we will leave an even greater legacy that will impact future generations. We believe that God is going to bless you above and beyond your expectations, even as you step out in faith with us into the future of our church family.

roadmap to \$10 million

gift range	gifts needed	subtotal	cumulative
\$1,000,000	1	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
\$750,000	1	\$750,000	\$1,750,000
\$500,000	2	\$1,000,000	\$2,750,000
\$250,000	5	\$1,250,000	\$4,000,000
\$100,000	20	\$2,000,000	\$6,000,000
\$75,000	20	\$1,500,000	\$7,500,000
\$50,000	20	\$1,000,000	\$8,500,000
\$25,000	25	\$625,000	\$9,125,000
\$10,000	50	\$500,000	\$9,625,000
\$5,000	50	\$250,000	\$9,875,000
\$2,500	50	\$125,000	\$10,000,000





Will you pray about what God is asking you to do?

Total Gift	Annual	Monthly	Weekly
\$1,000,000	\$333,333	\$27,778	\$6,410
\$750,000	\$250,000	\$20,833	\$4,808
\$500,000	\$166,667	\$13,889	\$3,205
\$250,000	\$83,333	\$6,944	\$1,603
\$100,000	\$33,333	\$2,778	\$641
\$75,000	\$25,000	\$2,083	\$481
\$50,000	\$16,667	\$1,389	\$321
\$25,000	\$8,333	\$694	\$160
\$10,000	\$3,333	\$278	\$64
\$5,000	\$1,667	\$139	\$32
\$2,500	\$833	\$69	\$15
\$1,000	\$333	\$28	\$6



creative ways to give

in-kind / appreciable assets

Stocks, bonds, real estate, and other assets provide ample giving opportunities coupled with considerable tax savings. Our Finance Team will help you donate appreciable assets, give stocks in certificate form, and make broker-to-broker transfers to optimize charitable contribution benefits and capital gains savings.

automatic contributions

By signing up for online giving, either through your bank or our website, you can ensure your gift is automatically transferred on the day(s) of your choosing. This is an easy way to make your giving hassle-free and consistent.

diverted-funds gifts

Some easy lifestyle adjustments can help allow you to increase your giving to God's work. Diverting funds from your budget for entertainment, dining out, subscriptions, etc., can help you free up funds to have a significant impact with your giving.

delayed non-essential purchases

Forgoing some big purchases, such as automobiles, vacations, clothing, trips, etc., for a few years can create substantial giving opportunities.

tax refunds & savings

By giving tax refunds and savings back to God's work, you can increase your total giving.

corporate gifts

You might be able to make a significant donation by using the products or services of your business as a resource for giving.

*For additional assistance regarding your contributions or to make bequests and charitable planned gifts, please email us at giving@churcheleven32.com



key dates

1

april 12th - for the kids: week *one*

- daily devotional starts Monday, April 13th

2

april 19th - for the kids: week *two*

- join a group

3

april 26th - for the kids: week *three*

- stay connected

4

may 3rd - for the kids: week *four*

- for the kids pledge event at 5:00PM

5

may 10th - for the kids: week *five*

- pledge sunday

6

may 17th - for the kids: week *six*

- miracle offering sunday



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get *ready*

mark **your calendars**

attend *every* **week**

join **a small group**

week *one*

a
people
who



believe



group discussion guide

key verse:

1 *"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen."*

Hebrews 11:1 (ESV)

key thought:

Everything God builds begins with belief. Before anything is visible, faith forms the foundation in our hearts. What we believe about God determines what we are willing to build with Him.

discussion questions:

Where in your life is God asking you to trust Him before you see the outcome?

What is the difference between faith and positive thinking? Why does that matter?

How does strong belief today impact the legacy we leave for the next generation?



monday
April 13th, 2026

the foundation is faith

1 "Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for,
the conviction of things not seen."

Hebrews 11:1 (ESV)

Before you build walls, you lay a foundation. Before you frame a roof, you pour concrete. And before we build a house for the next generation to encounter the presence of God, we must become a people who believe. Every structure rests on what is beneath it. If the foundation is weak, the house will not stand. In the same way, everything God builds in our lives rests on faith. Faith is not emotion. It is not hype. It is not positive thinking. Faith is assurance. Faith is conviction. It is confidence in what we cannot yet see.

All throughout Scripture, God begins with belief. Noah built because he believed. Abraham moved because he believed. Caleb fought because he believed. Faith has always been the foundation beneath every promise God fulfills. If we are going to build something that outlasts us, something that impacts our children and their children, it must begin with belief. Not with resources. Not with strategy. Not with opportunity. It begins with trusting that God is who He says He is and that He will do what He has promised to do.

The house we are building starts in the unseen places of our hearts. Foundations are poured before anything visible rises above the ground. In the same way, belief is formed before breakthrough is experienced. If we want to see God move in powerful ways, we must first decide to believe Him fully. We must be confident that God is who He says He is and that He will do what He has promised.



Your foundation matters. What you believe about God will determine what you are willing to build with Him.

prayer: "God, make me a person who believes. Give me eyes to see spiritually what I cannot yet see naturally. Strengthen my foundation. I don't want shallow faith. I want faith that can carry weight. You are calling us to build, and I choose to take You at Your Word. Strengthen my trust. Strengthen my conviction. I am ready to stand on Your promises. Amen."

reflection questions

What areas of your life reveal strong faith, and where does your foundation feel weak or unstable?

How has God come through for you in the past when you took a step of faith?

What would it look like for you to actively strengthen your faith this week?



tuesday

April 14th, 2026

give me that mountain

10 "And now, behold, the Lord has kept me alive, as He said, these forty-five years, ever since the Lord spoke this word to Moses while Israel wandered in the wilderness; and now, here I am this day, eighty-five years old. **11** As yet I am as strong this day as on the day that Moses sent me; just as my strength was then, so now is my strength for war, both for going out and for coming in. **12** Now therefore, give me this mountain of which the Lord spoke in that day; for you heard in that day how the Anakim were there, and that the cities were great and fortified. It may be that the Lord will be with me, and I shall be able to drive them out as the Lord said."

Joshua 14:10-12 (NJKV)

Caleb waited forty-five years for a promise to be fulfilled, and when the moment finally came, he did not settle for anything less than what He knew God had called him to. He asked for the mountain. The land filled with giants. The very territory that intimidated others. His faith was not passive. It was bold, specific, and anchored in what God had already spoken.

What makes Caleb's request powerful is that it was not driven by ego or ambition. It was driven by faith. He remembered the word of the Lord and refused to let time diminish it. Decades had passed. Seasons had changed. An entire generation had fallen in the wilderness. But Caleb's confidence in God had not weakened.

People who have faith do not settle for leftover territory. They do not shrink back when challenges appear. They do not reinterpret God's promises to make them more manageable.



Faith holds onto what God said and declares, "It still stands."

When we talk about building a house for the next generation, we are not stepping into something small. Vision always has resistance attached to it. Mountains do not move easily. But faith gives us the courage to ask for what others avoid. We are not building because it is convenient. We are building because we know that God has called us to it.

What mountain is in front of you right now? What promise have you allowed time to soften? Caleb teaches us that faith does not retire and it does not shrink with age or difficulty. When faith stays rooted in the Word of God, it is only strengthened.

prayer: "God, give me the faith to ask for the mountain. I don't want to settle for what is easy or comfortable. If You've promised it, I want it. Strengthen my faith so that time and trials do not weaken it. Help me to stand on Your promises with confidence. I trust that what You said still stands even when I have not yet seen the fulfillment. I choose faith. Amen."

reflection questions

What "mountain" in your life have you avoided because it feels intimidating or uncomfortable?

Has time caused you to lower your expectations of what God can do? Where?

If you fully trusted God's promise, what bold step would you take?



wednesday

April 15th, 2026

built below the surface

11 "For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ."

1 Corinthians 3:11 (ESV)

Every strong house has something in common: the most important work happens where no one sees it. Foundations are not glamorous. They are not celebrated. They are poured in dirt, reinforced with steel, and covered before the house ever rises. But everything depends on them.

Faith works the same way. The strength of what we build publicly is determined by what has been formed privately. If our faith is shallow, what we build will eventually crack under pressure. If our faith is rooted deeply in Christ, it can carry weight for generations.

Jesus is the only true foundation. When our faith is anchored in Him, we are building on something eternal.

As we talk about building a house for the next generation, we are not just talking about concrete and steel. We are talking about a spiritual foundation. A church rooted in Jesus. A people grounded in truth. A community that stands firm when culture shifts and pressure increases.

Strong foundations are not built for the moment; they are built for what comes next. Your faith today becomes the ground on which someone else will stand tomorrow.



Your obedience creates stability for the next generation to build higher, go further, and believe bigger than we ever could. No matter what stage of life you're in, it's not too late to strengthen your foundation. What you allow Him to build in you right now will support far more than just your life. It will carry those who come after you.

prayer: "Jesus, You are my foundation. Anchor my faith deeply in You. I don't want shallow belief or temporary excitement. I want a faith that is rooted and immovable. Strengthen what is beneath the surface of my life. As we build for the next generation, build something solid in me. Amen."

reflection questions

Is the foundation of faith you are building right now strong enough to hold the next generation?

Is your faith rooted in Christ, or is it dependent on emotion, momentum, or circumstances?

What private disciplines (prayer, scripture, obedience) need strengthening in your life?



Thursday

April 16th, 2026

with God all things are possible

26 *"But Jesus looked at them and said, 'With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.'"*

Matthew 19:26 (ESV)

Every foundation of faith eventually faces a test. When confronted with a seemingly impossible situation, will we choose to believe what we see with our eyes or what we know God can do? When Jesus spoke these words, He was not minimizing the difficulty of the situation. He acknowledged it: "With man this is impossible." Then He immediately shifted the focus: "With God all things are possible."

Faith does not ignore reality. It simply refuses to let reality have the final word. When we talk about building a house for the next generation, it is easy to evaluate the vision through human limitations. We look at numbers, resources, and logistics. But the foundation of our faith has never been what we can accomplish on our own. It has always been on a God who lacks no power or possibilities.

The size of the vision is not meant to intimidate us. It is meant to stretch our faith. If it were possible in our own strength, it would not require faith. But God often invites us into things that feel bigger than us so that we learn to lean on Him. What seems impossible to man is fully possible with Him.



As we continue laying this foundation of faith, we must anchor ourselves in this truth: we are not building alone. The same God who parted seas, brought down walls, and fulfilled every promise in our Bibles is the God who goes before us now. Our confidence is not in our ability. It is in His power.

prayer: “God, I choose to believe that what feels impossible to me is possible with You. Guard me from shrinking the vision down to my own limitations. Stretch my faith. Strengthen my trust in Your power. I don’t want to evaluate this season through fear or doubt. I want to anchor my heart in who You are. Amen.”

reflection questions

Where are you evaluating this season through your own limitations instead of God’s power?

What feels “impossible” to you right now?

What would change if you truly believed God is able to do what seems beyond you?



Friday
April 17th, 2026

for the kids

39 "And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what was promised, **40** since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect."

Hebrews 11:39–40 (ESV)

A life of faith is always lived with the next generation in mind. The men and women listed in Hebrews 11 believed God for things they would never fully see in their lifetime. They obeyed. They built. They fought. They sacrificed. Not just for themselves, but for those who would come after them.

Caleb fought for a mountain his children would inherit. Several heroes of our faith endured hardship so that a future generation could step into promise. Their belief laid a foundation that someone else would stand on. That is what faith does. It builds beyond itself.

When we say "**for the kids,**" we are not just trying to build big buildings or amass crowds. Our focus is on creating a legacy. We are creating space for the next generation to encounter the presence of God in ways that shape their lives forever.

Our faith is not just about what God will do in us as we step out in obedience, but what He will do through us for those who are coming behind us.



One day, our children and grandchildren will walk into a place we built with faith. They will worship in rooms that were once just a vision. They will experience God in spaces that were once only promises. And it will be because we decided to believe.

prayer: “God, thank You that faith is bigger than me. Help me to build with the next generation in mind. I don’t want my faith to stop with my lifetime. Use me to lay a foundation that my children and their children can stand on. As we build this house, let it be a place where generations encounter You. I choose to believe for more than just myself. I choose to build **for the kids**. Amen.”

reflection questions

When you think about the next generation, what kind of spiritual legacy do you want to leave?

How is your current faith shaping the foundation your children or others will stand on?

What sacrifice might God be asking you to make so someone else can encounter Him?



testimony

megan's story

There's nothing that could have prepared me for the call I received that day. A police officer let me know that my mom had been in an accident and had died on impact. My worst nightmare was my reality.

The shocking grief I stepped into changed me forever. It felt like the ground beneath me had disappeared for a long time. While my mind was stuck in the trauma of the accident itself for a while, God called me to replace that image, so now I see her walking into God's arms, in full love and peace. My worst nightmare was her day of glory. She ran her race and is in the arms of our loving Father. So when my mind drifts back to the accident, that's what I remind myself of, to renew my mind back to God's truth.

The part of grief I wasn't expecting is the deep gratitude for what God has done through the pain. The loss of control led to a full surrender. Her passing awakened something in me. My spiritual senses became sharper. I began to see the magnitude of every moment, the fragility of this life, and the beauty of living with eternity in mind.

Grief taught me to care more about what God thinks. It pushed me to stop living for the world's approval and to start living for the One who holds my world together.



I'm not perfect at it, but the fear that once held me back - the fear of letting go, the fear of surrendering control fell away. In my grief, God met me and held me. The Holy Spirit became my guide, leading me step by step out of old patterns and into the pattern of Jesus.

Church Eleven32 played a huge part in that healing. From the moment I walked in, I felt comforted. Serving at the church and leading the Grief Release program brought a deeper purpose to my life. The community reminded me I wasn't alone. Everyone grieves differently, and there isn't one right way, but for me, facing grief head-on felt like the only choice, and Grief Release has given me the space to process, breathe, heal, and release the parts of grief that were keeping me in darkness.

My journey hasn't just been a grief journey; it has been a transformational journey. A journey of discovering who God is and who He says I am.



week *two*

a
people
who



See



WELCOME TO

See



group discussion guide

key verse:

1 *"The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein."*

Psalm 24:1 (ESV)

key thought:

Everything belongs to God. When we shift from ownership to stewardship, it transforms how we live, give, and build. Faithful stewardship begins with a clear vision.

discussion questions:

Where is it easiest for you to slip into an ownership mindset rather than a stewardship mindset?

How would your daily decisions change if you fully lived as if everything belongs to God?

What has God entrusted to you in this season that you want to steward more faithfully?



monday
April 20th, 2026

it all belongs to God

1 *"The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein."*

Psalm 24:1 (ESV)

Before we can become a people who steward well, we must first become a people who see clearly. Everything belongs to God. Not most things. Not spiritual things. Everything. The earth, the resources in it, the opportunities around us, and even the breath in our lungs all belong to Him.

The tension in stewardship begins when we forget this truth. When we begin to see ourselves as owners instead of stewards, our perspective shifts. Owners protect and preserve for themselves. Stewards manage on behalf of another. The difference is subtle but powerful. Ownership asks, "What do I want?" Stewardship asks, "What does the Owner want done with what He has entrusted to me?"

Time, talent, influence, finances, relationships, none of these are really ours. They were entrusted to us. Seeing this changes how we live, give, and build. When we understand that everything belongs to God, generosity becomes obedience, multiplication becomes responsibility, and faithfulness becomes worship.

As we build this first wall in the house God is forming among us, we must see clearly. We are not owners trying to expand our kingdom. We are stewards entrusted with His. The way we handle what is in our hands reveals whether we truly believe it belongs to Him.



prayer: "God, open my eyes to see clearly and remember that everything I have comes from You. My time, my gifts, my resources, my opportunities, they are Yours. Help me live like a steward, not an owner. Show me where my perspective needs to change. Teach me to handle what You've entrusted to me in a way that honors You. Thank you for everything You've blessed me with. I surrender it all back to You. Amen."

reflection questions

In what areas of your life do you operate as an owner instead of a steward?

How would your daily decisions change if you truly believed everything you have belongs to God?

What is one specific area (time, resources, relationships, etc.) where God may be inviting you to steward differently in this season? What would obedience look like there?



tuesday

April 21st, 2026

stewardship is multiplication

14 "For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. **15** To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away."

Matthew 25:14-15 (ESV)

In the Kingdom of God, stewardship is not just management; it is multiplication. The master in Jesus' parable did not distribute talents so they could be protected and preserved. He entrusted them with the expectation of increase. What was placed in their hands was meant to grow.

The servants who understood this did not treat what they received as something to set aside. They saw it as an opportunity to invest. They recognized that it did not belong to them, but had been entrusted to them. And because they saw clearly, they acted boldly. They multiplied what was given.

The servant who buried his talent revealed a distorted view of stewardship. He preserved what he was given, but he did not increase it. Fear kept him from multiplying. Comfort kept him from stepping out. He returned what he was given, but he did not make it better.

Everything God places in our hands carries this same expectation. Our time, our gifts, our resources, and our influence are not meant to remain stagnant. Stewardship asks, "How can this grow?" It asks, "How can what God has given me produce more for His Kingdom?"



As we build this first wall, we must see stewardship correctly. God has not entrusted us with a vision so we can maintain it. He has entrusted us with a vision so we can multiply it. Faithful stewardship always leads to increase.

prayer: “God, teach me to steward what You have entrusted to me with courage. Remove fear and comfort from my heart. I don’t want to bury what You’ve given me. I want to multiply it. Show me how to invest my time, gifts, and resources in ways that produce fruit for Your Kingdom. Help me to be faithful with what you have given me to steward. Amen.”

reflection questions

Where have you been maintaining what God gave you instead of multiplying it?

What is keeping you from multiplying what is in your hands?

What step could you take this week to actively grow something God has entrusted to you?



wednesday

April 22nd, 2026

what has He entrusted to you?

21 "His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.'"

Matthew 25:21 (ESV)

In the parable of the talents, every servant received a different amount. The master did not compare them to one another. He entrusted each one according to their ability and then held each one accountable for what was placed in their hands.

Stewardship becomes personal when we stop looking at what others have and start recognizing what we have been given. It is easy to measure ourselves against someone else's capacity, influence, or resources. But the question God asks is not, "What did they do?" The question is, "What did you do with what I entrusted to you?"

You have been entrusted with more than you realize. Your time. Your skillset. Your experiences. Your relationships. Your influence. Your finances. Your spiritual gifts. Nothing God has given you is accidental or random. All of it is placed in your hands with a divine purpose.

Seeing clearly means recognizing that you are not overlooked in the Kingdom. You are entrusted. And stewardship begins when you take ownership of your assignment: the responsibility God has attached to the resource He gave you.



As we build this first wall, the question is not whether you have something to contribute. You do. The question is whether you can see it. Faithful stewards do not wait for more before they begin. They start with what is already in their hands.

prayer: “God, help me to see clearly what You have entrusted to me. Keep me from comparison and distraction. Show me the resources, gifts, and opportunities already in my hands. Give me wisdom to steward them faithfully and courage to multiply them for Your Kingdom. I want to hear You say ‘Well done.’ Teach me to be faithful with what You have given me. Amen.”

reflection questions

What has God placed in your hands that you may be overlooking?

Are you comparing your assignment to someone else’s instead of being faithful to your own?

What would “well done, good and faithful servant” look like in your current season?



Thursday

April 23rd, 2026

your house or His house?

4 *"Is it a time for you yourselves to dwell in your paneled houses, while this house lies in ruins?"*

Haggai 1:4 (ESV)

The prophet Haggai confronted a people who had grown comfortable. They had returned from exile with a clear assignment: rebuild the house of the Lord. But as time passed, their focus shifted. They built their own homes. They improved their own comfort and justified the delay of their assignment. Meanwhile, the house of God remained unfinished.

The issue was not that they had houses. The issue was their priorities. They were stewards not only of their personal lives, but of God's house, and they had allowed their own projects to take precedence over His.

Stewardship always reveals what we value most. It is easy to give attention to what directly benefits us. It is harder to invest in what advances God's purposes. But when we see clearly, we understand that everything we build is meant to serve His Kingdom first.

Haggai's message was not condemnation; it was correction. "Consider your ways." Look closely. Evaluate honestly. Have your priorities drifted? Have you become diligent in building your own house while neglecting the work God has placed before you?



As we build this first wall, these questions matter. We are not just stewards of our careers, our families, or our comfort. We are stewards of God's house. When His house is prioritized, everything else aligns properly.

prayer: "God, help me to consider my ways. Reveal where my priorities may have drifted. I don't want to build my own comfort while neglecting Your calling. Align my heart with Your purposes. Teach me to steward not only my life, but Your house. Let my priorities reflect what matters most to You. Amen."

reflection questions

Have your personal goals begun to crowd out God's purpose in your life?

Where might your time and energy reveal misplaced priorities?

What adjustment is God prompting you to make so His house is prioritized?



Friday
April 24th, 2026

multiply what matters

29 *"For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away."*

Matthew 25:29 (ESV)

Jesus makes it clear in the parable of the talents that multiplication is a Kingdom principle. What is invested in His Kingdom grows. What is buried or set aside becomes stagnant. The servants who multiplied what they were given were entrusted with even more. Increase followed faithfulness.

Stewardship is not just about responsibility; it is about impact. When we multiply what God has placed in our hands, the result extends far beyond us. Time invested in the Kingdom produces transformed lives. Resources surrendered to God produce eternal fruit. Faithful stewardship creates space for others to encounter Him.

When we say **"for the kids,"** we are talking about multiplication that outlives us. The way we steward today determines what the next generation inherits tomorrow. What we invest in God's house now becomes the environment where our children and grandchildren will worship, grow, and encounter His presence.

God has not entrusted us with vision, so it can remain the same. He has entrusted us with vision so it can expand. Multiplication is not about building something impressive; it is about building something eternal. Faithful stewards see beyond themselves.



As we finish this week and stand on the truth of stewardship, the question becomes simple: What are you multiplying? What you choose to invest in today will determine what grows tomorrow.

prayer: “God, I want to multiply what matters. Help me to invest my time, gifts, and resources into what has eternal impact. Keep me from burying what You have entrusted to me. As we build for the next generation, use my stewardship to create lasting fruit. I want my life to produce increase for Your Kingdom. Amen.”

reflection questions

What are you currently investing most of your energy into? Will it matter eternally?

How could your stewardship today create spiritual opportunity for the next generation?

What is one practical way you can multiply what God has given you **for the kids?**



testimony

reshma's story

During the 10:15 service on March 23, Pastor Dustin asked if anyone in the congregation was dealing with an autoimmune disease. I raised my hand. I've lived with fibromyalgia since 2010—misdiagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis in 2012, put on unnecessary medications, and carried pain for years.

My husband Joe, along with our friends, immediately laid their hands on me. In that moment, I felt the power of the Lord move through my body. The pain in my lower back lifted, and a tingling sensation spread through my fingertips. I had never experienced anything like it. Joe began to cry, and I did too.

Since 2010—and honestly, probably even before—I haven't known a life without pain. But at that moment, I didn't feel any pain. I just felt...different. Like a weight had been lifted.

It would take me about 1 ½ hours to get out of bed because I would be in pain, stretching my body and willing my muscles and joints to work. After that day, I see the sunrise, feed the dogs, let them out, make coffee and breakfast, all without pain.



I ask God, "Why me?" Joe tells me not to question Him because He has a plan for me. I often relate to the woman at the well, and now I understand her even more deeply. I may not have all the answers, but I know this: I was once in pain, and now I am not.

I am a true testimony of His miracles.

March marked one year, and I am still pain-free. **I am a MIRACLE IN MOTION!**



week *three*

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group discussion guide

key verse:

27 "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them,
and they follow me."

John 10:27 (ESV)

key thought:

Hearing God is not reserved for a few — it flows from relationship. Because we belong to the Shepherd, we can recognize His voice and follow His leading with confidence.

discussion questions:

What helps you personally recognize God's voice versus your own thoughts?

What keeps people from believing they can hear God?

Is there an area of your life where God may already be speaking, but you need to lean in and listen more closely?



monday
April 27th, 2026

His sheep hear His voice

27 *"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them,
and they follow me."*

John 10:27 (ESV)

Jesus does not say that only some of His sheep hear His voice. He does not say that only pastors and prophets can hear Him. He says plainly, "My sheep hear My voice." Hearing is not a special gift for a few; it is a promise for those who belong to Him.

Notice the order: "My sheep hear My voice." Identity comes first. We hear because we are His. We do not earn the ability to hear God. We do not unlock it through performance. We hear because we are in relationship with the Shepherd. Hearing flows from belonging.

Because we belong to Him, we don't just have the privilege of hearing His voice; we carry the responsibility of following it. Hearing is the first step, but obedience is the destination. The Shepherd speaks with direction in mind. When He says move, we move. When He says wait, we wait. When He redirects, we adjust.

As we build this second wall, we are becoming people who listen for His voice. We are not moving forward based on impulse or assumption. We are moving forward because we believe the Shepherd still speaks and He's leading us to build. A church that listens for instructions will build what He desires. A people who hear will walk where He leads.



The question is not whether He is speaking, or even whether we can hear Him. The question is: how will we respond?

prayer: “Jesus, thank You that I belong to You. Thank You that Your sheep hear Your voice. Remove insecurity and doubt from my heart. Teach me to recognize You clearly. Give me confidence to know You are speaking and that I can follow. As we build, let us be a people who listen closely and obey quickly. I trust that You are leading me. Amen.”

reflection questions

Do you truly believe that you can hear God’s voice, or do you struggle with insecurity in this area?

Recall a time when you heard God’s voice. What was it like?

What would change in your life if you fully trusted that you belong to the Shepherd and can hear Him?



tuesday

April 28th, 2026

recognizing His voice

4 "When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. **5** A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers."

John 10:4-5 (ESV)

Jesus makes something very clear in this passage: the sheep do not just hear the Shepherd's voice; they recognize it. There is familiarity and distinction. They do not become misguided and follow strangers because they have learned the sound of the One who leads them.

Recognition is built through relationship. The more time the sheep spend with the Shepherd, the more natural His voice becomes. In the same way, when we consistently spend time in God's Word, in prayer, and in His presence, His voice becomes clearer to us. We grow in our ability to distinguish His leading from fear, culture, and our own impulses.

God's voice aligns with His character. It carries peace, conviction, clarity, and truth. It never contradicts Scripture. It never manipulates through shame. It never leads us away from obedience. It guides us into His plans and purposes for our lives.

As we build this wall, let us ask ourselves if we know how to recognize His voice. A church that knows the Shepherd will not be easily swayed by competing voices. We will not be misled or reactive when we follow what He says.



The more familiar you become with the Shepherd, the more confident you will become in His direction.

prayer: "God, deepen my familiarity with Your voice. Help me to recognize You clearly and to resist every competing voice. Draw me closer so that Your leading becomes unmistakable. Teach me to filter every thought and every decision through Your Word and Your character. I want to follow You with confidence and clarity. Amen."

reflection questions

What competing voices (fear, culture, self, others) are the loudest in your life right now?

The primary ways God shapes recognition of His voice are through Scripture and prayer. How consistently are you spending time in the Word and prayer?

What practical step can you take this week to deepen your relationship with God?



wednesday

April 29th, 2026

the whisper of God

11 "And he said, 'Go out and stand on the mount before the Lord.' And behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. **12** And after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper."

1 Kings 19:11-12 (ESV)

Elijah had just experienced one of the most demonstrative miracles in Scripture. Fire had fallen from Heaven. The prophets of Baal had been defeated. But when Elijah needed direction from God, the Lord did not speak through a spectacle. He spoke in a whisper.

We often expect God to speak in dramatic ways. We look for the wind, the earthquake, the fire. We assume that if God is speaking, it will be obvious and loud. But Scripture teaches us that the voice of God is often gentle. It is steady, clear, and at times, subtle.

Hearing a whisper requires proximity. It requires stillness and attention. You cannot hear a whisper while distracted or surrounded by other noises. The voice of God is not competing to be heard; it is inviting us into intimacy.

As we build this second wall, we are choosing to slow down enough to listen. A church that hears the whisper will move with precision. A people who hear the whisper will build according to instruction.



God is speaking. Are we close enough and focused enough to hear Him?

prayer: “God, train my ear to hear Your whisper. Help me silence the noise around me and the noise within me. Slow me down. Draw me close. Give me a heart and mind focused on You. Help me to listen carefully and respond quickly. I trust that You are speaking and that You have given me the ability to hear You. Amen.”

reflection questions

What distractions are currently drowning out God’s whispers in your life?

When was the last time you intentionally slowed down to listen for God’s direction?

Quiet your mind and listen for His whisper right now. What is He saying?



Thursday

April 30th, 2026

position yourself to hear

13 *"And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him..."*

1 Kings 19:13 (ESV)

Before Elijah heard the voice of God, he had to step out and stand before the Lord. The whisper did not meet him in distraction. It met him when he was in position. Hearing is not accidental. It requires an intentional dialing in of our hearts and minds to tune into the frequency of Heaven.

Elijah was exhausted, discouraged, and overwhelmed. Yet when God invited him to step out, he responded. Sometimes the greatest barrier to hearing God is not His silence but our reluctance to reposition ourselves. We want clarity without discomfort. Direction without surrender. Guidance without obedience.

Hearing the voice of God often requires creating margin. It requires stepping away from the noise, the hurry, and the competing voices. It may mean setting aside distractions so we can give focused attention. When we position ourselves before the Lord, we are letting Him know that His voice matters most to us.



A church that positions itself before the Lord will not drift. We will move when He says “go” and pause when He says “wait.” We will build according to His instructions, not our impulses.

Position determines perception. Closeness brings clarity.

prayer: “God, help me to tune my ears to the frequency of Heaven. Show me where distraction has crowded out Your voice. Give me the discipline to create space for You to speak. I want to hear clearly and follow faithfully. As we build, keep us aligned with Your direction. I choose to step out and stand where I can hear You. Amen.”

reflection questions

Where might God be asking you to reposition yourself so you can hear Him?

Where have you been acting on impulse instead of instruction?

What would it look like for you to create intentional margin to hear His voice this week?



Friday
May 1st, 2026

build what He says

27 *"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me."*

John 10:27 (ESV)

Hearing the voice of God is not the end goal; following is. Jesus makes the progression clear: My sheep hear my voice... and they follow me. Hearing without obedience is information. Hearing with obedience is transformation.

Throughout Scripture, God gives instruction before construction. Noah received direction before he built the ark. Moses received the pattern before the tabernacle was formed. Solomon built according to what had already been revealed. God speaks first. His people build second.

If we are going to build this house correctly, we must build what He says. A church that hears but does not follow will eventually drift. But a church that listens and obeys will remain aligned with Heaven's purpose.

When we say **"for the kids,"** we are building according to His pattern and purposes. The next generation does not need our good intentions and creativity as much as they need our obedience.

The future of what we build depends on how faithfully we follow. We are not guessing our way forward. We are listening for His voice and obeying it.



prayer: “God, give me a heart that not only hears but follows. Keep me from being content with inspiration that lacks obedience. Teach me to build according to Your instruction. As we move forward, align our steps with Your voice. We want to build what You say, how You say, and when You say. I trust Your leadership completely. Amen.”

reflection questions

Is there something God has already spoken to you that you have not yet obeyed?

Where have you been moving ahead with your own ideas rather than seeking God’s direction?

What is one step of obedience you can take this week based on what He has been speaking to you?



testimony

abby and jerod's story

When Jerod and I were engaged in 2018, he was in a motorcycle accident that resulted in a lot of medical debt. We were extremely young and naive and thought the only way to pay that debt was to put it all on credit cards.

As you can imagine, that did extreme damage to our credit. We have spent the last 7 years of marriage barely keeping our heads above water when it comes to our finances. There were times when we didn't know how we were going to pay for basic needs.

We began taking the tithe seriously at the beginning of 2024. Even when our income barely covered our bills to begin with. We began to give God His portion first.

Our financial situation has slowly become stronger since making that decision. We, of course, are now firm believers in the power of the tithe. The blessings that God has brought to us through our obedience have been unmatched.

When it came time for the miracle offering at the end of 2025, we knew it was time for us to step out in faith. We gave boldly. The kind of money that one, we couldn't believe we had in our bank account and two, couldn't believe we were about to give.



Within two hours of submitting our miracle offering, Jerod got a notification on his phone from Credit Karma. For the first time in our married lives, our credit was high enough to qualify for a home owner's loan.

As of today, we are under contract for our first home ever.

God is good!



week *four*

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for the kids

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group discussion guide

key verse:

17 *"Then I said to them, 'You see the trouble we are in... Come, let us build the wall of Jerusalem...'"*

Nehemiah 2:17 (ESV)

key thought:

Obedience often begins with awareness. God allows us to see what is broken not to discourage us, but to invite us to build. Noticing is common, but responding is powerful.

discussion questions:

What "ruins" or needs has God made you more aware of recently?

Why is it sometimes easier to critique problems than to help build solutions?

What is one practical step of obedience God may be inviting you to take right now?



monday
May 4th, 2026

when you see the ruins

17 *"Then I said to them, 'You see the trouble we are in, how Jerusalem lies in ruins with its gates burned. Come, let us build the wall of Jerusalem, that we may no longer suffer derision.'"*

Nehemiah 2:17 (ESV)

Nehemiah did not begin with a blueprint. He began with a burden. He saw the ruins, and he allowed himself to feel the weight of what was broken. The walls of Jerusalem were down, the gates were burned, and the people were living exposed. Many had seen the damage before him, but Nehemiah refused to ignore it.

Obedience often begins with awareness. When God allows you to see something that is not right, it is rarely accidental. The burden you feel may be an invitation. Nehemiah could have remained comfortable in the palace. He could have acknowledged the problem and moved on. Instead, he let what he saw move him.

There is a difference between noticing and responding. Many people are aware of what is broken. Few decide to take action. Nehemiah's obedience started the moment he said, "Come, let us build." He did not just complain about the problem; he committed to the solution.

As we raise this third wall, we must ask ourselves what we are willing to do with what we see. When we look at the next generation, when we recognize the spiritual needs around us, when we feel the weight of what could be, what steps are we taking to respond?



prayer: “God, give me eyes to see what You see. When You allow me to notice something broken, give me the courage to respond. Keep me from becoming passive or comfortable. If You are placing a burden on my heart, help me to obey. I don’t want to just observe the need. I want to be part of the solution. Amen.”

reflection questions

What broken area has God allowed you to see that you have been tempted to ignore?

Where might God be inviting you to move from awareness to responsibility?

What would it look like for you to become part of the solution instead of just noticing the problem?



tuesday
May 5th, 2026

burden leads to action

4 "Then the king said to me, 'What are you requesting?' So I prayed to the God of heaven. **5** And I said to the king, 'If it pleases the king... that you send me to Judah, to the city of my fathers' graves, that I may rebuild it.'"

Nehemiah 2:4-5 (ESV)

Nehemiah did not stop at feeling burdened. He prayed, and then he moved. When the opportunity came to speak, he was ready. His obedience was not impulsive; it was decisive. He sought God first, and then he acted with clarity.

There is a difference between emotion and obedience. Emotion feels the weight. Obedience does something with the weight. Nehemiah did not just grieve the ruins; he requested permission to rebuild them. He asked for resources. He developed a plan. He stepped into risk. True obedience always moves beyond good intentions into faithful action.

Prayer and preparation worked together. Nehemiah did not choose between faith and strategy. This was truly what we call a "both and" moment. He took practical and spiritual steps forward. He prayed in the moment and then presented a plan of action. Obedience trusts God fully while taking responsibility seriously.

As we build this third wall, we cannot remain in inspiration alone. If God has stirred something in our hearts, there must be movement. Obedience means saying yes when the door opens. It means trusting that if God has given the burden, He will also provide what is needed to accomplish it.



People who obey do not wait for perfect conditions. They pray, they prepare, and they step forward.

prayer: “God, help me move from burden to obedience. Teach me to pray first and act faithfully. If You open a door, give me the courage to walk through it. I don’t want to stay in inspiration without action. Align my plans with Your purposes, and strengthen me to take the next step. Amen.”

reflection questions

Is there something God has stirred in you that you have not yet acted on?

What is keeping you from obedience?

What practical next step could you take this week in response to what God has placed on your heart?



wednesday

May 6th, 2026

opposition is an opportunity

6 "So we built the wall. And all the wall was joined together to half its height, for the people had a mind to work."

Nehemiah 4:6 (ESV)

The moment progress began, opposition followed. Those who chose to build faced mockery, criticism, and threats. But Nehemiah did not interpret resistance as a sign to retreat. He saw it as confirmation of his calling.

Opposition is not proof that you missed God. It is often the opposite, proof that you are walking in obedience. When something begins to move forward in the Kingdom, resistance shows up. Not because the vision is wrong, but because it is right. The enemy would love nothing more than to stop Kingdom advancement.

Nehemiah did not stop building when criticism came. He prayed, set a guard, and kept working. He did not live in denial of the opposition; he responded to it. The people built with a tool in one hand and a weapon in the other. They adjusted their strategy, but they did not abandon the assignment.

Opposition is an opportunity. It is an opportunity for perseverance. An opportunity for unity. An opportunity for God to show that the work is sustained not by human strength, but by His Spirit.

As we build this third wall, resistance should not surprise us. It should steady us. People who obey do not retreat when challenged. They press in and build regardless. They trust that when God initiates something, He sustains it.



prayer: "God, strengthen me when opposition comes. Keep me from interpreting resistance as rejection. Help me see it as an opportunity for breakthrough and growth. Give me perseverance and focus. As we build, protect our unity, and remind us that this work is accomplished with Your help. We will not stop building. Amen."

reflection questions

Where have you interpreted opposition as a reason to stop instead of a reason to keep going?

How do you typically respond when resistance shows up: in retreat or with resilience?

What breakthrough might be on the other side of the challenge you are facing?



Thursday

May 7th, 2026

stay on the wall

3“And I sent messengers to them, saying, ‘I am doing a great work and I cannot come down. Why should the work stop while I leave it and come down to you?’”

Nehemiah 6:3 (ESV)

As the wall neared completion, the attacks became more strategic. The enemy shifted from mockery to distraction. “Come and meet with us,” they said. It sounded reasonable. It sounded productive. But Nehemiah recognized it for what it was: an attempt to pull him away from the assignment.

Obedience requires focus. Not every opportunity is from God. Not every invitation deserves your attention. When you are doing a great work, distraction is one of the enemy’s greatest tools. When the enemy isn’t able to destroy the work; he will sometimes simply try to delay it.

Nehemiah’s response was clear: “I cannot come down.” He understood the value of the assignment. He refused to step away from what God had called him to build. He did not argue. He did not explain. He stayed on the wall.

As we build this third wall, we must guard our focus. There will always be something trying to pull our attention away. Competing priorities. Good opportunities. Comfortable alternatives. But obedience means staying where God has placed you until the work is complete.



The strength and longevity of what we build hinges on our willingness to remain in the face of opposition. A people who obey do not come down from the wall prematurely.

prayer: "God, guard my focus. Help me recognize distraction when it comes. Give me discernment to know what deserves my attention and what does not. Strengthen my commitment to the work You have placed before me. I don't want to come down from the wall prematurely. I want to remain faithful until it is finished. Amen."

reflection questions

What distractions are currently pulling your focus away from what God has assigned you?

Have you stepped down from something prematurely because it became difficult?

What does staying faithful "on the wall" look like for you in this season?



Friday
May 8th, 2026

accomplished with the help of our God

15 "So the wall was finished on the twenty-fifth day of the month Elul, in fifty-two days. **16** And when all our enemies heard of it, all the nations around us were afraid and fell greatly in their own esteem, for they perceived that this work had been accomplished with the help of our God."

Nehemiah 6:15-16 (ESV)

After fifty-two days, what once felt impossible was finished. The ruins were restored. The gates were rebuilt. The people of God were no longer exposed or without a home. What began as a burden in the heart of one man became a breakthrough for his community and a testimony to the nations.

The surrounding nations did not say, "Look at their strength" or "Look at their strategy." They perceived that the work had been accomplished with the help of God.

Obedience produces visible evidence of invisible faith. When a people see, hear, and obey, the result points beyond them. The wall stood as proof that God was with them. Completion was not just success; it was a witness.

As we build this third wall, we are not chasing accomplishment for its own sake. We are believing for a testimony. We are building in such a way that when it is finished, it will be clear that this was not human effort alone. It was accomplished with the help of our God.



One day, the next generation will look at what was built and recognize that it required faith, obedience, and unity. But more than that, they will recognize the hand of God in the midst of it all.

Obedience always ends in glory for Him.

prayer: “God, let our obedience be a testimony. As we build, make it clear that this work is accomplished by Your help. Keep pride far from us and dependence close. Let our lives reflect obedience that points to You. When the work is finished, may it be evident that You were with us every step of the way. Amen.”

reflection questions

When God completes the work He started in you, what kind of testimony will it produce?

Are you building in a way that points to your strength or to God’s help?

What would obedience look like today if your ultimate goal was to glorify Him?



testimony

yessica's story

I came from a very religious Catholic family, with incredible parents who were married for 30 years. However, I wasn't the best daughter, mom, or person in general. I was so lost in the world, filled with anxiety, depression, and anger. I thought that alcohol, marijuana, and partying were going to fill me up, but they didn't. What I didn't know was that God was working on me without me even realizing it.

In January 2025, after New Year's, I had the oddest feeling of guilt, and I heard God letting me know, "It's time to come home." I started feeling conviction over the things that I was doing and the way I was living. I'm not going to tell you that in the blink of an eye I changed, it took time for me to stop. I kept looking for a church, trying to find where I would fit in.

One day, my friend told me about Church Eleven32, and I decided to visit. I walked into a place filled with love and God's grace. I met some of the best women I can call friends now. February 21st, 2026 I got baptized, and it was a beautiful Supernatural experience. I felt like all the shame left my body, and my testimony was going to bring in disciples, not because of me but because of God's love. This year will be my 1st small group class for women of all walks of life, ethnicities, and backgrounds who want to find a place to come together and experience the love of God.

Just like Church Eleven32 did for me.





week *five*

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for the kids

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group discussion guide

key verse:

9 "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish,
but what are they for so many?"

John 6:9 (ESV)

key thought:

In the Kingdom, it's not the size of the seed that matters most, but the surrender behind it. When we place what we have into Jesus' hands, He multiplies its impact far beyond us.

discussion questions:

Where have you been tempted to believe that what you have is 'not enough'?

What is currently in your hands (time, talent, treasure) that you could surrender to God's hands?

How have you seen God multiply something small in your life before?



monday
May 11th, 2026

what's in your hands?

9 *"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?"*

John 6:9 (ESV)

When Jesus looked at the thousands, He saw the need. The disciples counted the cost and quickly decided it was impossible to feed so many. But while they were still calculating what "couldn't" be done, a boy stood in the crowd with a small lunch in his hands.

It wasn't enough. Five loaves. Two fish. The disciples even said it out loud: "What are they for so many?" The size of the offering seemed insignificant compared to the size of the need.

This is often when an opportunity to sow begins. When we measure what we have against the magnitude of what's needed, we assume that what we bring to the table doesn't matter. It feels too small. Too insignificant. But in the Kingdom, the size of the seed is not the determining factor of impact. The willingness to surrender it is.

That boy could have kept his lunch. No one would have blamed him. He came prepared, and it was his to enjoy. And in man's eyes, he didn't have much to offer anyway. But when he placed what he had into the hands of Jesus, a simple act of surrender became the starting point of a miracle.



As we build this fourth wall, the question to ask ourselves is “what do I have in my hands?” Our time. Our talent. Our treasure. It may not seem like enough when compared to the need, but in the hands of Jesus, it becomes more than enough.

prayer: “God, show me what You have already placed in my hands. Keep me from believing the lie that it is too small to matter. I choose to surrender what I have to You: my time, my talent, and my treasure. Use it for Your purposes. Multiply what I place in Your hands. I trust You with what You have entrusted to me. Amen.”

reflection questions

What have you been dismissing as “too small” to matter in God’s Kingdom?

Where are you comparing your seed to the size of the need and feeling inadequate?

What is one specific thing in your hands right now that you can surrender?



tuesday
May 12th, 2026

surrender before multiplication

11 *"Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted."*

John 6:11 (ESV)

The miracle did not begin when the bread multiplied. It began when the boy released what he had. Before there was increase, there was surrender. The loaves had to leave his hands and be placed in the hands of Jesus.

This is the order of the Kingdom. Surrender comes first, multiplication follows. We often ask God to multiply what we are still holding tightly. We want increase without release. But the miracle in John 6 reminds us that what stays in our hands will be limited. What is placed in His hands becomes abundant.

Notice that Jesus gave thanks before the miracle happened. Gratitude preceded multiplication. Trust preceded overflow. The crowd did not see the behind-the-scenes, but they experienced the fruit of the miracle. One act of surrender and trust paved the way for thousands.

As we build this fourth wall, we are reminded that sowing is not just about what we give, it is about who we trust. When we release what is in our hands, we declare that our confidence is in Him, not in what we can control.



prayer: “God, teach me to surrender what I have in my hands. Help me to release what I have been holding tightly. I don’t want to cling to what You are asking me to trust You with. I choose to place my time, my talent, and my treasure into Your hands. Multiply it for Your Kingdom. I trust You completely. Amen.”

reflection questions

Is there something God is asking you to release that you are still holding tightly?

When has God provided for you before when you’ve surrendered to Him?

What would trusting God completely with your time, talent, or treasure look like this week?



wednesday

May 13th, 2026

equal sacrifice

43 "And he called his disciples to him and said to them, 'Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. **44** For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.'"

Mark 12:43-44 (ESV)

Jesus was watching as people gave. Large sums were being dropped into the offering box by the wealthy. But then a widow approached and gave two small copper coins — everything she had.

From an earthly perspective, her gift was insignificant. From Heaven's perspective, it was the greatest offering received that day.

The Kingdom measures differently. It is not the amount that moves the heart of God; it is sacrifice. The widow did not give what was comfortable. She gave what was costly. Her offering declared her trust in God.

This is the beauty of sowing in the Kingdom. Everyone has an equal opportunity to invest. No one is left out. We don't become Kingdom investors through amount, but through obedience. The question isn't, "Am I impressive?" The question is, "Am I faithful?"



As we build this fourth wall, we are not asking everyone to give the same amount. We are asking everyone to respond with the same obedience. Unified sacrifice creates unified strength. When people sow faithfully, regardless of size or dollar amount, God blesses them abundantly.

He sees the heart behind the gift.

prayer: “God, search my heart. Guard me from comparison and pride. Teach me to sow with humility and sacrifice. Show me what faithfulness looks like in this season. Let my giving reflect trust in You. Help me respond with wholehearted obedience. Amen.”

reflection questions

Are you giving out of overflow or out of obedience?

Where might God be inviting you into greater sacrifice?

What would prompt the widow to give all she had?



thursday

May 14th, 2026

sowing more than money

7 *"Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap."*

Galatians 6:7 (ESV)

Although sowing in the Kingdom is often financial, it is not limited to finances. Scripture makes it clear that sowing and reaping are principles woven into every part of life. What we plant determines what grows. This applies to our treasure, but also to our time, our talent, our relationships, and every resource entrusted to us.

We sow time when we serve others. We sow talent when we use our gifts to build His Kingdom. We sow treasure when we invest financially in His purposes. The seeds may differ, but the principle remains the same: what is placed into the ground with faith and obedience will produce fruit in its season.

A church that sows will grow, not only numerically, but spiritually. When people consistently give of themselves, something shifts in the culture. Mission strengthens. Unity deepens. Hearts align with what matters to God.

As we build this fourth wall, we choose to live open-handed. Time. Talent. Treasure. All of it is seed that has been entrusted to us, and we are committing to sow it faithfully.



prayer: “God, help me to see everything in my life as a seed. Show me where I need to sow more intentionally with my time, my gifts, and my finances. Align my heart with Your purposes. I want to plant what produces eternal fruit. Teach me to live open-handed and faithful in every area. Amen.”

reflection questions

How are you currently sowing your time and talent into God’s Kingdom?

What kind of fruit is being produced from the seeds you are planting daily?

How can you become more intentional in what you sow?



Friday
May 15th, 2026

there is more than enough

12 "And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost.' **13** So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten."

John 6:12-13 (ESV)

The boy gave a lunch. Jesus fed thousands. And when it was over, there were twelve baskets left.

The miracle did not just meet the need; it exceeded it. What began as a small seed became an overflow. This is the pattern of the Kingdom. When something is surrendered in obedience, God does not simply return it unchanged. He multiplies it beyond expectation.

There were more baskets left over than the number of loaves that were originally given. This overflow became a testimony. It demonstrated that the miracle did not come from human origin but from divine provision.

When we sow for the Kingdom, we are not investing in scarcity. We are investing in abundance. Not abundance for ourselves, but abundance for impact. When we say **"for the kids,"** we believe that what is sown today will create overflow tomorrow — space, opportunity, and encounters with God for generations to come.

God wastes nothing that is placed in His hands. The seed may look small at first, but we will reap more than we could have ever imagined.



prayer: “God, thank You that You are the One who multiplies. Help me to sow with faith, not fear. I trust that when I place what I have in Your hands, You can do more than I could ever accomplish on my own. Use what we sow to create overflow for the next generation. Let there be more than enough for what You desire to do. Amen.”

reflection questions

What areas of your life feel like they lack abundance?

How could your sowing today create spiritual overflow for the next generation?

What step of faith could position you to experience multiplication?



testimony

the godsey's story

At End of Year Giving not too long ago, God placed it on my husband and I's heart to give \$1,000. We were honestly quite hesitant, as we were right in the middle of buying a new house, preparing for our new baby, and trying to be wise financially. We could not shake the nudge from the Holy Spirit, so we chose to be obedient and give.

The very next day, HR reached out and asked to meet with me, and I found out I was receiving a \$4,000 bonus I had no idea was coming. It was such an amazing reminder to us that God sees obedience and is always faithful to provide. I am constantly reminded that you cannot outgive God, so when in doubt... be obedient and see what He does!





week *six*

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group discussion guide

key verse:

11 *"You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God."*

2 Corinthians 9:11 (ESV)

key thought:

Kingdom blessing always has a purpose. God enriches us so we can extend generosity and advance His mission. Reaping is not the destination — it is fuel for continued impact.

discussion questions:

How is Kingdom abundance different from the world's view of success?

Where have you seen God's provision create new opportunities for impact?

As a group, how can we continue to live as people who use blessings as fuel for God's Kingdom?



monday
May 18th, 2026

enriched in every way

11 "You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God."

2 Corinthians 9:11 (ESV)

Paul makes something clear in this passage: blessing has a purpose. God enriches His people, not so they can amass more, but so they can continue to give more. Abundance is not the end goal; generosity is.

Throughout this journey, we have talked about believing, seeing, hearing, obeying, and sowing. Now we see the result. When people sow faithfully, God brings increase. But the increase is not about accumulation; it is about multiplication. Increase creates more opportunities for impact.

Notice the progression in the verse. Enriched. Generous. Thankful. When God blesses, and we respond with generosity, He receives the glory. Reaping in the Kingdom is never self-centered. It always points back to Him.

We do not give to get. That has never been God's heart and therefore should not be the heart of a believer. But Scripture is clear: there is blessing on the other side of obedience. When we sow in faith, we reap God's provision. And when He does provide, it should produce gratitude in us and glory for Him.



As we build this final piece, the roof of our house, we are reminded that reaping is not the finish line. It is the evidence of God's faithfulness. He enriches us so we can continue to build, sow, and reach the next generation.

Blessing in the Kingdom is never the destination. It is fuel for the mission.

prayer: "God, thank You that You enrich us on purpose for a purpose. Keep my heart aligned with generosity. I don't want to chase blessings for myself; I want to be a conduit for Your Kingdom. As You provide, help me to respond with gratitude and obedience. Let everything You place in my hands produce thanksgiving and glory to You. Amen."

reflection questions

When God blesses you, how can your first response be generosity?

How have you been a recipient of God's provision?

What would it look like for you to become a conduit rather than a container?



tuesday

May 19th, 2026

test Me in this

10 *"Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need."*

Malachi 3:10 (ESV)

There are very few places in Scripture where God invites His people to test Him. This is one of them. Not in arrogance. Not in manipulation. But in reassurance. When we're faithful to bring to Him what belongs to Him, we can rest assured that He will do what He said.

The heart of this passage is not about pressure; it is about promise. God ties provision to obedience. He connects faithfulness to overflow. He does not demand in order to take. He invites in order to bless.

Obedience precedes the opening of Heaven. The people were instructed to bring the tithe into the storehouse so that there would be provision in God's house. The principle is clear: when His house is prioritized, His blessing follows.

We do not obey in order to force God's hand. But we do trust His character. He is always true to His word. When He promises to open the windows of Heaven, He is revealing His desire to provide more than enough.



As we come to the conclusion of this series, we are reminded that reaping is not accidental. It is connected to faithfulness. God's invitation is simple: trust Him. Bring what He has asked. Watch what He will do.

prayer: "God, I trust Your promises. Help me to obey without hesitation and without fear. Strengthen my faith to bring what You have asked of me. I don't want to hold back. I want to walk in full trust. As I am faithful, let Your provision and blessing bring glory to You. I choose to trust You completely. Amen."

reflection questions

Is there an area of obedience where God is inviting you to trust Him more?

What fears surface when you think about fully trusting God with your resources?

What step of faith would demonstrate complete trust in His promise?



wednesday

May 20th, 2026

open windows and rebuked devourers

11 "I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not destroy the fruits of your soil, and your vine in the field shall not fail to bear, says the Lord of hosts."

Malachi 3:11 (ESV)

God's promise in Malachi is not only provision, but protection. He does not just open the windows of Heaven; He rebukes the devourer. He guards what He has grown. He protects what has been planted. Blessing in the Kingdom includes covering.

For the people of Israel, the devourer was literal. Crops could fail. Harvests could be destroyed. Their livelihood was vulnerable. God's promise was that obedience would not only result in increase but in preservation.

This matters for us today as well. Reaping is not just about receiving more. It is about seeing what God has placed in your hands as sustained and strengthened. When we walk in obedience, we step under His covering. We trust that He sees our seed, our harvest, and the threats to them we cannot see.

When we align ourselves with His promises, there is both provision and protection.

As we complete this house and build the roof, we stand under more than structure. We stand under promise. The same God who brings increase is the God who guards the fruit.



prayer: "God, thank You that You not only provide but protect. I trust You with the fruit of what I have sown. Rebuke anything that would try to devour what You are building. Guard my heart, my family, and this house. Let Your covering rest over what has been planted in obedience. I trust You as both Provider and Protector. Amen."

reflection questions

Where do you need to trust God not only as Provider but as Protector?

How has God protected you in the past?

What would change in your life and actions if you truly believed God was guarding the fruit of your obedience?



Thursday

May 21st, 2026

remember what He has done

3 *"The Lord has done great things for us; we are glad."*

Psalm 126:3 (ESV)

Before Israel moved forward, they remembered. Before they faced new challenges, they recounted past faithfulness. Memory strengthens trust. Testimony builds expectation. When we remember what God has already done, it steadies us for what He will do next.

As we talk about reaping, we are not speaking theoretically. We have seen God move. We have seen Him provide at the right time. We have seen needs met, doors opened, lives changed, and miracles unfold. The stories are not coincidences. They are evidence.

When we recall these past experiences with gratitude, it protects our hearts from entitlement. When we remember that every blessing is from Him, we stay humble and dependent. Reaping should never produce pride; it should produce praise. The overflow we experience should always point back to the faithfulness of God.

As this project unfolds, we will believe, see, hear, obey, and sow together. Right now, we stand and say, "The Lord has done great things for us." And because He has done it before, we trust Him to do it again.

A people who reap are a people who remember.



prayer: “God, thank You for every way You have been faithful. Remind me of the times You have provided, protected, and moved in power. Keep gratitude alive in my heart. As we celebrate what You have done, build expectation for what You will continue to do. We give You all the glory. Amen.”

reflection questions

What specific moments in your life prove God’s faithfulness?

Have you taken time to thank Him for His provision and protection?

How can remembering His past faithfulness strengthen your present trust?



Friday
May 22nd, 2026

our ceiling is their floor

6 *"The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully."*

2 Corinthians 9:6 (ESV)

Reaping is not the end of your story. It is the beginning of someone else's.

When God brings increase, when He opens doors, when He pours out blessing, it is never meant to end with us. It is meant to be a catalyst for the next generation. The ceiling we raise becomes the covering they live under and the floor they can stand on.

This is the beauty of Kingdom investment. What one generation sows and reaps, the next generation inherits and advances. The overflow we experience today creates opportunity tomorrow. The sacrifices we make now become the starting point for someone else's faith journey.

When we say **"for the kids,"** we are declaring that our faith will create a runway for theirs. Our obedience will create opportunity for theirs. Our generosity will create space for them to encounter God without the limitations we once faced.

One day, they'll stand where we stood, but they won't start where we started. We're building the foundation they'll stand on. We're raising the platform they'll run from. And by God's grace, they'll go further than we ever imagined. Our ceiling will be their floor.



prayer: “God, thank You that reaping is not the end of the story. Use the blessings You give me to elevate the next generation. Let our obedience create opportunity for those who come after us. Help us build in a way that sets them up to go further, reach higher, and believe bigger. May our ceiling truly become their floor. We trust You with the harvest and the future. Amen.”

reflection questions

What kind of spiritual inheritance are you building for the next generation?

What would it look like for your obedience now to become someone else’s starting point in the future?

What does it look like for you to leave a legacy that will outlive you?



testimony

debbie's story

On Sunday, January 11th, 2026, I received a phone call that my grandson had been in a terrible accident and was air-lifted to a Plano hospital. In December, our church had a Miracle Sunday where we pledged our offering and believed that we would see miracles for 2026. My daughter and I had given an offering in faith and written down our prayer request, which included Dylan. As I drove to the hospital, praying for Dylan, the Lord reminded me of the pledge card. I had told the Lord that I am standing on the verse , Jeremiah 33:3, I was giving in faith that the Lord had great and mighty things for Dylan, our family, and our church. I knew at that moment that the Lord was saying this is your miracle, he will live.

Dylan's injuries included: 9 broken ribs , a metal plate for a forearm bone break, a skin graft from outside leg (to cover inside hand, tissue, and muscle exposure), a collapsed lung, and liver laceration. He had been thrown 6 feet from his truck, spent 8 days in the hospital, and 4 days in the ICU. Although doctors and the team thought he wasn't going to live, all injuries are healing, and the doctors are very pleased with his recovery. What a testimony to what the Lord has done not just for us but for the many people involved.

We give the Lord all glory and praise for what He has done and how faithful He has been! We are so thankful for the texts and phone calls each and every day encouraging us and offering to help in any way! Church Eleven32 has taught by example to believe the Word of God, to be obedient, and to have faith that moves mountains!





“Let this be written
for a future
generation,
that a people
not yet
created
may praise the
Lord.”

PSALM 102:18