Mustard seed leadership

BUILDING ON BIBLICAL VALUES

1 Corinthians 3:10-13 (NLT)

10 Because of God's grace to me, I have laid the foundation like an expert builder. Now others are building on it. **But whoever is building on this foundation must be very careful**. 11 For no one can lay any foundation other than the one we already have—Jesus Christ.

12 Anyone who builds on that foundation may use a variety of materials—gold, silver, jewels, wood, hay, or straw. 13 But on the judgment day, fire will reveal what kind of work each builder has done. The fire will show if a person's work has any value.

BIG IDEA: As co-laborers with Christ, we need to build the church on a revelation of Christ, by the Holy Spirit, in obedience to His Word, with love!

How are we going to use these values?

- 1. Own them by REVELATION
- 2. Model them though your EXAMPLE
- 3. Multiply them by TALKING, TALKING, TALKING

6. Priesthood of all believers

A. What is this value about?

All Christians are priests and all have a role and ministry function to play.

- Only Jesus is the High Priest
- All of us who are 'in Christ' have access to the Father through Jesus
- We can all hear God, all have spiritual gifts and are all full time ministers.

1 Peter 2:5 (NLT)

5 And you are living stones that God is building into his spiritual temple. What's more, you are his holy priests. Through the mediation of Jesus Christ, you offer spiritual sacrifices that please God.

B. Why is this value so important?

This value is crucial because the involvement of everyone is the key to healthy church growth

Ephesians 4:16 (NLT) 16 He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.

The key to church growth, is church health, which comes from whole church involvement

GROW THE CHURCH BY GROWING PEOPLE'S INVOLVEMENT IN THE CHURCH

C. Vision

Get this right and the church feels ALIVE - the passion of people grows as they get engaged in the life and ministry of the church

PERSONAL TESTIMONY:

I have visited so many churches and spoken to so many church leaders in which all the ministry is done by the pastor. The result is:

- He feels important but often burns out
- He can never take a holiday or spend enough time with his family
- The people are kept in immaturity

People grow more by serving and doing than receiving. Get the priesthood doing what God has called them to do!

QUESTION: Are you walking in your identity as a Saint - using your gifting to minister to God and others?

PRACTICAL:

- * Don't be scared to ask for involvement getting someone to serve Jesus with their gift is NOT asking favors
- * Make room for serving opportunities
- * Make Volunteers work hard!
- * Keep reminding all the priests of WHY we do what we do.