

Choose to be a Church Builder Glorifying the Savior of the Body

Lesson #24

Scripture: Ephesians 3:21 "to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

Introduction:

A party of tourists, looking up to the summit of an impressive mountain, thought that by climbing one of the less hills they would improve their view. On the way they passed a party coming down, and they asked, "Is it worthwhile?" The reply came back, "Anything above the ordinary level is always worthwhile."

Transitional Statement:

Church, we live and breath for one express purpose...the glorification of God

Lesson:

I. Find value in gifted Christian writers

- A. The purpose driven church....by Rick Warren
- B. When God builds churches...Bob Russell
- C. Natural Church Development....Christian Schwarz
- D. Effective Church Strategies...Gene Getz and Joe Wall
- E. City on a Hill....Phillip Ryken

II. Commit to Church growth

- A. Affirm biblical beliefs
- B. Become deeply hungry for God
- C. Become a healthy member
- D. Make brotherly love your signature
- E. Let worship be from the heart
- F. Have a passion for lost souls

- G. Be thankful to leaders
- H. Try to get others involved
- I. Make conflict resolution important
- J. Put commitment front and center

III. Soul winning is calling

- A. Matthew 28:18-20
- B. A deep thirst to please God
- C. Plus an understanding that God's wants everyone saved.

Conclusion:

Is glorifying God the most important thing in your life?