

041: PRAYER CHANGES THINGS

SHOW NOTES

We are here to create a culture on earth to bring heaven to earth.

Ephesians 6:10-12 NKJV Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. **11** Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. **12** For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

Revelation 11:15 NKJV Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!"

Colossians 1:13 NKJV He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love,

- When we are born again, we are delivered from the authority of darkness, translated from the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of light.

Matthew 16:18 NKJV And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

- Gods' kingdom and Satan's kingdom can't be existing in the same place. One has to displace the other.

- As the church, our responsibility is to displace the kingdom of darkness.

Our exhortation to pray for our nation

1 Timothy 2:1-4 NKJV Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, **2** for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. **3** For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, **4** who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

- God's will is to have an environment where people can come to Christ.

- It is going to take prayer and intercession to create an environment where there is respect for God and where all men can come to the saving knowledge of Jesus.

John 14:6 NKJV Jesus said to him, I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

- Corruption has pretty much taken over in our culture, it's now an environment that is hostile to Christianity.

- Things have changed drastically, but they can change back. Prayer changes things!

- We are here to create a culture on earth to bring heaven to earth.

Matthew 6:10 NKJV Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Matthew 5:13 NKJV You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men.

- To bring the culture of heaven to earth, the church has to be the salt of the light, to teach the principles of the Kingdom of God. We use our influence as leaders within the seven mountains of culture.

- Seven Mountains of Cultural Influence: Religion, Family, Education, Government, Business, Media, Arts and Entertainment.

- We need to be leading within these seven mountains because we can create laws if we are in government, that are keeping within biblical law.

- Teach principles of economics that are in keeping with the principles of the Word of God.

- Have entertainment that doesn't violate the principles of God.

- In so doing, the culture then has biblical standards and biblical morality and ethics that are culture norms.

- This is what Paul meant when he said in 1 Timothy 2:2 “that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.”

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- People thought that America was like heaven on earth...What created that culture?

- Prayers, intercession, preaching of former generations that brought the Kingdom of God to earth by teaching the principles of the Kingdom so that they became the fabric of our society and culture.

Mark 16:15 NKJV And He said to them, Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.

- We have the ten commandments hanging on the supreme court walls, so there would be no laws made that violated the supreme law.

- They are just hanging basically in name only now, because we have laws being passed and executive orders being given that violate everything in scripture.

- Those laws and principles are reshaping culture, until its reverting back to the pagan culture of the New Testament. Opposite environment of 1 Timothy 2:2

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- If you’re in an environment that’s Christ friendly, sooner or later you may become Christ friendly. Sooner or later, you may open your heart to Christ.

- That’s God’s plan, to bring the Kingdom of Heaven to earth, that was the Garden of Eden.

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