

10-05-25 Points

Title: Building Your Faith: Earnestly Seeking God's Reward

Sermon Summary: This sermon emphasizes the importance of continually seeking God and growing in faith beyond initial salvation. The pastor challenges believers to move past complacency and actively pursue a deeper relationship with Christ. He stresses that true Christianity involves ongoing spiritual growth, likening it to building blocks that must be carefully constructed and expanded upon. The message encourages Christians to earnestly seek God, promising divine rewards for those who do so, while warning against stagnant faith and worldly distractions.

Key Points:

- Salvation is the beginning, not the end, of our spiritual journey
- God rewards those who earnestly seek Him
- Christians should continually build upon their faith, not remain stagnant
- The church is Christ's bride and should adore Him actively
- Our actions and faith will be tested like fire, revealing what we've truly built
- Worldly pursuits often distract from spiritual growth
- We should use our words to build others up in faith

Scripture Reference:

- Hebrews 11:6
- Acts 20:25-32
- Matthew 16:16-18
- Luke 14:25-30
- Ephesians 4:29
- 1 Corinthians 3:10-16

Stories:

- The pastor's childhood experience with building blocks, illustrating spiritual growth
- The analogy of a bride's adoration for her husband, relating to the church's relationship with Christ

- The contrast between the narrow and broad paths of faith, as taught by Jesus
- The image of Jesus offering a cross instead of a map when calling disciples to follow Him