Home Improvement

Week 2

Home Improvement: How to Give Your House Back to God

I. Introduction

Recognize the current brokenness in society:

Recent tragedies (stabbing, school shooting, Charlie Kirk murder) Society's chaos, division, violence

• Emphasize: "Something is broken in our house" (the world and our homes)

II. The Root Cause

Recent revelation:

Problems of hopelessness, sin, division don't start externally but from within our homes

Scripture: "Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain" (Psalm 127:1)

• The prophetic word:

"It's time to give Calvary back to Jesus" — a command, not a request

Our misconception:

Believing we own our homes, families, lives (Colossians 1:16) Everything belongs to God: "The earth is the Lord's, and all its fullness" (Psalm 24:1)

III. The Origin of Brokenness

- First murder and rebellion trace back to a family choosing independence from God
- The family as the foundational institution created by God
- Impact:

When homes are disconnected from God, societal chaos ensues

• Personal response:

Start change by surrendering your home and heart to Jesus

IV. Giving Our Homes Back to Jesus

Declaration:

"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15)

Question:

Why are Christians often unhappy, dissatisfied, and without peace?

Is it possible that Jesus is not our house like we assume He is?

Revelation 3:20:

Jesus is standing at the door, knocking — waiting for us to open it He doesn't force entry; our willingness invites His presence

V. Practical Ways to Restore the Home

• Love and Respect:

Ephesians 5:25, 33

Husbands love, wives respect — mutual honor

Self-Examination:

How are we treating one another?

Are we serving and honoring God inside our homes?

Invest in Family:

Spiritual development, character, education, health

Responsibility lies with parents, not the government or internet

Centering the home around God:

Worship, Bible discussions, living out faith

Model and teach talents, dreams, education — all to glorify God

VI. Singleness: Belonging to God

• Singles: Your body is not your own (1 Corinthians 6:19-20)

A single person is meant to use their singleness for the glory of God (1 Corinthians 7:32-35)

VII. Invitation to the House of Our Hearts

Call to action:

"Give your house back to Jesus"

• Jesus' promise:

If we open our doors, He will come in and dine (Revelation 3:20)

Communion:

Represents Jesus' invitation and our welcoming Him into our homes and hearts

VIII. Closing/Altar

Invitation:

Receive communion and salvation

Open the doors of your heart and home to Jesus