

Made for Mondays

Week 5

Planted for Influence | Living Your Faith Beyond Sundays

1. Introduction

- Title & Focus: Emphasizing our calling to influence the world beyond Sundays
- Go into all the world – Mark 16:15

2. The Setting: Do We Belong Here?

- Key Scripture: Genesis 1:1 — "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth."

God's Ownership of the Earth

- Psalms 24:1 — "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it."
- Acts 17:24 — God made the world and owns everything
- Deuteronomy 10:14 — Belongs to the Lord
- Job 41:11 — Everything under Heaven belongs to God

3. The Situation: Satan's Influence

- Satan as "the god of this world" (2 Corinthians 4:4)
- Question: How is this possible if God owns it all?
- Luke 4:5-7 — Satan shows Jesus the kingdoms, claiming authority

4. The Kingdom of God and Its Transformative Power

- Matthew 13:33 — Parable of yeast and dough
- The kingdom works from the inside out, changing lives through influence
- God's presence and truth spread through His people, not by force but by influence

5. Kingdoms of Influence (Today's Mountains)

- The Seven Mountains:

1. Religion
2. Education
3. Government
4. Family
5. Media
6. Entertainment
7. Business

- Modern "kingdoms" shaping culture
- Proverbs 29:2 — Righteousness in authority brings joy

6. God Plants You in Your Fields of Influence

- Question: Where is the Holy Spirit moving in these areas?

- Partnering with the Holy Spirit

7. Living as Influencers for the Kingdom

- Live to demonstrate God's existence:
 - Hebrews 11:6 — Seek God, He is a rewarder
 - 2 Corinthians 5:18-19 — Ministry of reconciliation
 - 2 Chronicles 5:13 — He is Good and His mercy endures forever
 - Matthew 5:16 — Let your good works glorify God
 - John 1:14 — Imitate Jesus, “The Word made flesh”
- Christianity on the ground — real life, real influence

8. Practical Implications

- Where will you flesh out your love for God?
- Loving others practically and relationally
- Using your talents and gifts in your mountains of influence
- “What you do is made sacred because of the why in which you do it” — as unto the Lord (Colossians 3:23)

9. Biblical Examples of Influence

- **Priscilla and Aquila**
 - Tent makers, business owners, church planters (Acts 18, Romans 16)
 - Mentors of Apollos
- **Lydia**
 - Businesswoman, church host in her home (Acts 16)
 - Impacted her household and community
- **Cornelius**
 - Roman centurion, loved God, helped the poor (Acts 10)
 - Maintained integrity while influencing his world

Conclusion & Call to Action

- We are active participants, not just witnesses
- Strategically placed to be a light in every sphere
- Influence is about living with integrity, love, and Spirit-led action
- Recognize where the Spirit is moving in your mountains

Next Steps for Action

- Identify your mountains of influence
- Pray for guidance and Holy Spirit’s direction
- Live intentionally, offering your daily activities as acts of service
- Let your good works point others to Christ