



KIDS MESSAGE HIGHLIGHTS_Ecclesia Economics_Pastor John Bendixen_4 July 2021_WTB



(**Definition: Responsibility means when you do something, you accept the results of what you've done – whether it is good / bad).

Rescue and Recovery plan: READ: Genesis 1:26-29 (MSG). Extract - God made man in His image to show forth (reflect) His nature. God's nature takes ***responsibility for His creation – therefore He created man to also choose to do the same. God gave man the right to choose. While man made wrong



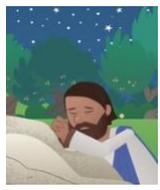
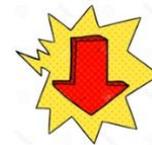
choices, **God had a divine plan to rescue** (restore) and to bring man back to their very first plan (original position). God's grand plan was for man to rule and reign (have dominion), be in charge, be responsible, to show forth (reflect) the glory of God and have a relationship that was full of the glory of God. God set about bringing a plan of rescue and recovery (redemption).



Messengers: Extract - God sends messengers (called prophets) into the earth to deliver His words that will bring about His power, His glory, His anointing through Jesus. Jesus took dominion (authority) over every situation (circumstance) and over the people that God gave Him. **He spoke and did only what God wanted.** He never lacked anything. His life was all about fulfilling God's will - to restore the nature of God into the hearts of men. READ: 2



Corinthians 3:16-18 (MSG). Extract - Free from all of the laws that ruled (dominated) us. Now, we have the personal presence of God – our relationship with Him restored.



Money: Extract - God has been speaking to us about money. The way we use (manage) our money has an impact on me (personally) and on everyone in the church (collectively). If we choose not to tithe, we choose to take charge of our own multiplication (prosperity). Therefore we will always be limited to what we can do. But **God wants to show us how to be like Him**, and how we can get brighter and brighter as a group of people. We don't have to make up (reinvent) what God wants for us as a church. We just have to do what He already showed us to do. When we do that, God begins to reveal (unveil) and release what He wants for us.



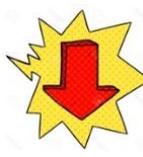
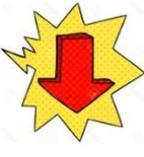
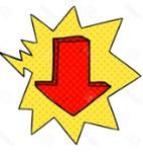
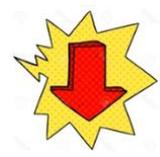
God's grand plan: READ: 2 Corinthians 4:1-2 (MSG). Extract - God has showed (revealed) to us His grand plan - He wants man to rule and reign (dominate) through His light, His way, and His will. He wants man to be responsible with His life, His plan, with all of His glory. If you have listened to the messages on money and the Ecclesia, we (the pastors) do not manipulate the truth for our advantage. We do not do such things to suit ourselves, rather we keep everything we do and say in the open, the whole truth on display. **We must speak the revelation that God gives us.** READ: 2 Corinthians 4:5-6 (MSG). Extract - We are messengers, we are errand boys. **We have no choice but to speak what God commanded.** God has revealed to an Ecclesia that He wants us to be a church that understands what first-fruits and tithing are about. In the New Testament we have a relationship with God. **I say - I no longer tithe and bring first-fruits out of law; I give because it is in the Spirit of God in me to do so.** Extract - And as we give out of that Spirit we see the Jesus in all of you and the togetherness and we begin to go brighter and brighter.



What if? Extract - So what happens if people among us refuse to tithe? Well, God won't force you to. The very Spirit of Christ that is in you wants you to grow brighter and remove the darkness. He wants you to be free of that spirit that is ruling (dominating) you that says, "I must look after me because no one else will." **I say – God wants me to see that He has already taken care of me because He wants us to live together in a way that reveals Jesus.**



The message come through human vessels: READ: 2 Corinthians 4:7-12 (MSG). Extract - We've got to carry this message that's in earthen vessels (just normal human people). But





the power of the message comes through these clay (human) vessels so that God's power can be seen (recognised) because, it's only clay (human) vessels bringing it.

Things we can't see last forever: READ: 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 (MSG): Extract - We can't give up because sometimes it's hard. Even though we give money into a natural place (environment), what's going on here is far more powerful. Because in giving money, we are giving of ourselves so that the glory of God can be shown (manifest) in us. There's a lot more going on here with the church and He is looking for people that will give themselves to prayer. He's looking for people that will give their possessions to Him, not to man. Man receives our tithes and offerings here on earth but God receives them in heaven. God is watching what we give and what you keep.



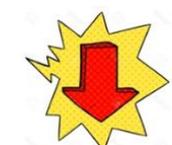
Trust God: READ: Acts 4:31-33 (MSG). Extract - Why did this message come to us - about first-fruits, tithing, offerings - in a time when the world's economies are struggling? Because God wants us to trust Him so that He can do a mighty work, so that His glory can be seen (become evident). When you're all together in one accord, one heart, one mind, look what happened - no one claimed ownership of their possessions. I say - I don't claim ownership of my own things (possessions). I don't say, "That's mine. You can't have it." None of my things (possessions) belong to me. Extract - The power of God was so strong when they experienced God's power working through them with the Holy Spirit; they saw (recognised) that none of their possessions belonged to them. They were servants of God. We're not talking about the apostles; we're talking about all the believers, all the Christians. I'm not for one minute suggesting that anybody and everybody should go and sell their houses and bring all their money to the Church. This is something that you are led to do by the Holy Spirit.

Mine is not my own: Extract - God is looking for an Ecclesia, an authority people, a ruling people, a governing people who say... I say - Mine is not my own. I'm here to do the work of the Father. I'm here to give it to God. Extract - And in a time when the world is in trouble (turmoil), He's saying, "Church, I want to teach you about money that if you will take this whole thing into your heart, and you become one mind and one heart with the Word of God, I will shine My glory." Places will shake, nations will tremble, cities will fall before God if there will be a Church like this. READ: Acts 4:33-35 (MSG).

I say - God has given me resurrection life. I found the very life of Christ. I see Jesus, face to face. The very presence of Jesus, the very awesomeness of having this new life of Christ inside of me, is so beautiful and amazing. I see (recognise) it in all of these people that are also giving their all and experiencing Jesus. What use and what good, are my goods, if we can't experience this goodness of God in each other? I want more of Jesus, I want to see Him in them and I want them to see Him in me. So what good is my things (possessions) if my possessions keep me from that?

Holy transaction: READ: Acts 4:33-35 (MSG). Extract - It's was holy transaction as they brought because they realised that there is no future without Jesus. They put their whole future on the line; they brought all their legacy to the apostles' feet. The apostles weren't special, they were just errand boys, clay vessels. But the transaction wasn't with man; it was with a holy God and a dynamic holy church in which Jesus lived in all of the people, so that the church was a witness to every transaction that was happening.

New Order: Extract - I tell you people, God has a new order in this day. It is the order of the witness of those believers that are completely sold out for Him. It is the order of God in the believer's life that says, "I recognise in you, I see in you, I see in you no veil, not your flesh. I see the Spirit of Christ in you. I see the life of God in you. I see the glory of God in you. I see you as I don't see you anymore as a clay vessel. I see you as the life of God". As you bring your tithes, your offerings and as you recognise that nothing is your own, and you bring it, it's the witness of the people that judged Ananias and Sapphira (who gave with impure motives) READ: Acts 5:1-4 (MSG). Extract - This new order happened at a time when the Roman Empire ruled. It was a





time of violence, abuse and a time when religion was the order. Jesus came into this empire-building, into this religious order, and laid down His life and the Father raised Him from the dead and now His life is given to everyone. Now we have this open relationship. We receive through the Spirit of Christ the grace and the ability to rule (dominate) and to govern, and to take responsibility for all that He placed in our hands. It is no longer ours but it is ours to be responsible with – as God wants us to use it.



Ecclesia: Extract - I trust this message stands as a marker in the history of this Ecclesia where God has given us a mandate to pray. **I say - We are a House of prayer.**

We are certainly a people of faith. We are certainly a people who understand that we are accountable to each other, to God and His words. We are certainly a people that honour God, honour His Word, and honour the life of God in each other. **Extract** - We are accountable to each other. Because when I see Christ in you, I want to be receiving the Christ that's in you into my life. And together, we have such grace. Together we

speaking judgments and the order of God is established so that day by day the church can grow. Day by day His presence and His glory can be seen on the earth. This is not about a single moment. This is about the eternal Jesus, the Eternal Father who is wanting to make a statement on the earth now when empires are being built, on the back of viruses that are bringing down economies and terrifying men. Those empires are inspired by demonic forces that want to destroy the church and pull it apart. They want to separate (isolate) and devastate (overwhelm) the church. Those forces who want to raise themselves up above the knowledge of Jesus Christ and all that He is. **I say - Father, I pray that the words that You have released into this Ecclesia, that I will take my place as a responsible life-giver, life bringer, a life messenger. I will take up my responsibility and I declare, Father, that all that is mine belongs to You. My life belongs to You, My breath belongs to You; my gifts; my anointings, my callings, my money, my everything belongs to You.**

