

The Kingdom Conquering Chaos

Gen 1:2
Matt. 7:24-28

Jeff Bush just laid down for the night to go to bed on Feb. 2013 in Seffner, Florida. He screamed out for help to his brother Jeremy who ran into the bedroom to see that Jeff and all of his furnishings had vanished into the earth. Jeff Bush remains were never recovered. Jeremy Bush frantically tried to rescue Jeff by standing in the hole and digging at the rubble with a shovel. He wouldn't stop until the police arrived and pulled him out. Jeremy screamed "I couldn't get him out, I tried so hard. I tried everything I could. I could swear I heard him calling out." Jeff's bed, his dresser, and all of his belongings went into this sink hole that collapsed.

Sinkholes are pits in the ground that form in areas where water gathers without external drainage, according to the U.S. Geological Survey. As water drains below ground, it can dissolve subterranean caverns, particularly in areas where the bedrock is made of water-soluble evaporate rocks.

Most of the time, sinkholes form gradually. Occasionally, though, the collapse is sudden. Those sudden sinkholes are often the ones that open and swallow cars, homes, and streets.

- This analogy of "sink holes" is something God wants us to unpack and look at today.
 - A) Because it describes what I call spiritual sink holes.
 - B) Where on the surface of my life everything appears to be normal and looking fine, but underneath the surface of my life, in my heart it doesn't look the same way.
 - C) Where the image and reputation you show on the outside appears to be in order but on the inside, we experience erosions of emotions and hidden attitudes that are building sink holes.
 - D) So, when enough pressure is applied by cars, storms, and traffic my surface collapses. Pressure from relational wounds, hurts, financial problems, and pressures from our jobs and family can create a spiritual sink hole if I don't pay close attention to the inside hidden and beneath areas of my heart.

Look at 1 Chron. 25:1-2, 5-9

- Amaziah lived his life with a focus more on rules than he did relationship.
- He valued titles and positions more than relationships.
- Because when the man of God confronted him in vs. 7 about obeying the word of the Lord he was warned about his money in vs. 9.
- Amaziah lamented more over his money than he did the heart of God.
- He had the Torah but he did not have God's heart.
- So when I became more interested and passionate about how I look and appear to people than I do having God's heart, I become a candidate for a spiritual sink hole.
- Only the Word of God and the spirit of prayer with an intentional attitude can keep us all from experiencing spiritual sink holes.
- Because prayer and God's word will bring order to the hidden levels beneath the surface of our hearts.
- Because a chaotic mind with no bible-based order causes surface sink holes – Read Heb. 4:12 AMP
- When we begin praying for private inner truth and order, we will find ourselves confronting entrenched attitudes and emotional strong holds that only His spirit can help you with.
- Such as disciplining your time management and money, disciplining your sleep patterns, over indulging with food and pleasure because of depression. These are indicators of a spiritual sink hole.

- When I pay attention to what is beneath the surface of my image and face by prayer I will avoid spiritual sink holes.
- Is. 26:3 says he who keeps..... This helps me bring order to my will, mind, and emotions so I can have order on the surface of my life.
- So if something is depleted in the lower level than the image above will one day suffer.
- Nothing above the ground can make up for deficits below the ground.
- There has to be order on the inside before there can be real growth. There are 3 reasons why we can struggle with order.

Machine is:

- 1) Broke
- 2) Unplugged
- 3) Or out of product
 - a) So, when you are not connected to the Holy Ghost in prayer your life is out of order.
 - b) When I don't have product called love from prayer and the word I cannot give it on the surface to other relationships.
 - c) A broke machine is when I still experience hurt or lack of trust with authority or my spouse or a leader and I cannot work out my differences with them. You need to put in order what's beneath your surface. People are not connected because they are broken in relationships.
 - d) Because of a life out of order
 - e) Because a spiritual sink hole is highly probable
 - f) Is your private life of inner thoughts in order? (It wasn't for the Las Vegas shooter – explain)
 - g) You see you and I have the ability of what we allow into our hearts. Prov. 4:23
 - h) If my private world is going to be in order it is because I chose to control what comes inside of it.
 - i) You can be stripped of innocence by what you allow on the inside of your heart!!!
 - j) You can be stripped of innocence by knowing too much about people's business.
 - k) It's just not good saying you know a lot of things about people. That's why God can't show you His heart for people. You'd become critical of His people. (Example – God tested me with the tithes of POW saints, another example was God showing me critical bad character about high ranking people). I was ready to have a spiritual sink hole.
 - l) It's really hard to worship when you are carrying a lot of stuff you can't get rid of. Your innocence is being stripped.
- 1) Absalom did this for his sister Tamar and lost his life.
 - You can't worship the way God wants you to when you got a lot of stuff you can't get rid of. (Example getting my license and meeting a disgruntled man in the hall right before I was to meet the board).
- 2) You can't have feelings on behalf of somebody else. Absalom got in the middle of a situation between his own father and sister and lost his innocence. He experienced a spiritual sink hole. He never should have taken on that situation. Don't get wounded on behalf of somebody else.
- 3) This is the problem with the social media. We know too much and we opionate way too much about Hilary Clinton, Donald Trump, and the National Anthem. Before you know it you lose the innocence of a pure heart and clean hands.
- 4) If my inside does not match my outside then the act of love won't match my words of acceptance.
- 5) You see surface people have a hard time giving their heart.
 - a) They like being alone
 - b) Or they hide behind their job and ministry accomplishments or behind the children.

- 6) We need to allow pure thoughts and good conversations in our lives. Pure thoughts are only by design. You put them there by order. This takes word and an intentional effort to walk on the stuff beneath your surface.
- 7) Because when you see hypocrites in the church you ought not to know them by name and all of the business not if you are preoccupied working on inside order.

You see the most critical part of my message is not altar call.

- a) But two hours after church when you are sitting around a table and someone decides to talk about what went on in the service. Prov. 14:30 AMP
- b) You have the ability to control what you think and what you hear. (story of John Russell at the dinner table).
- c) People who don't guard beneath their surface with prayer and the word experience spiritual sink holes (give an example – people who left a church disconnected got in serious trouble; man, who died drunk with asthma)
 - Another man lost his marriage, Ron Wallace died in an abandoned house.

Did you know what time is a commodity?

- A. And the best way to spend it is with God's word and prayer. Believe me people who die would tell you how true this is.
- B. We need to ask God with honesty and humility to help us manage our time to get it in order.
 - You can never get wasted time back.
 - If my private world is out of order it's because my priority of time is out of order.
 - When your private world is out of order we show chaos on the surface. Example: collecting junk we have used old stuff we never use. Nobody stepped over Moses underwear going through the tabernacle.
 - So, if your life is not in order your worship is not in order.

When my finances and private life is out of order, my life is out of order.

So how do I get my life in order? 3 ways...

- 1) Serving – People who hate or refuse to serve are living a life with priority problems.
 - 2) Giving – Your life can be restored when you give and serve out of desire and not out of a need.
 - 3) Doing – Lot had the wrong sight in mind when it comes to doing the will of God. YouTube, media images, and movies are destroying some of us.
- They are changing are focus
 - Lot and his wife were looking the wrong way

- Amnon listened to the wrong friends and raped Tamar.
 - 1) You need to intentionally increase serving others. Especially those you have fought with (Explain Bro. Hook)
 - 2) I can't be too busy to be connected to abiding in the vine of the word and spirit of prayer
 - 3) I can't live in a state of inner chaos or I won't be consistent with my responsibilities. I will procrastinate, I will over commit myself.
 - 4) I can't be connected to the wrong people and expect to have order beneath my surface. I Cor. 15:33 says evil communication corrupts good manners.
 - 5) I can't be disconnected and discouraged from the heart of the Shepard and have order in my life. See Jer. 3:15, if you are disconnected from pastoral leadership you are out of order. God is interested in your heart underneath and not just your surface image according to 2 Cor. 3:6. The letter of the law kills.
- The Lord is after your heart. He's concerned about the substance beneath your surface.
- We need to order our private world.
- Young people you cannot live off the surface of your parents.
- Your heart is the center and the conscience and the bridge of your inner life. 2 Cor. 10:4-5 AMP
- If you want to bring order to your private world you have to get in the atmosphere of the move of God. For when the spirit of God moved upon the face of the chaotic dark deep, He brought order. Read Phil. 3:12 AMP

Prayer to Pray:

1. Heal my life God.
2. Help me to be honest with myself.
3. Give me strength to be connected.
4. Help me to have order and inner substance in my private thinking.
5. Help me to abandon those things that make me weak Ps. 16:11
6. Help me to take control of my time Ps 119:133
7. Help me to bring into captivity all perverse thought and besetting sins. 2 Cor. 10:4-5 AMP

Give me Your heart God for:

- a) Your word / Your Spirit
- b) My marriage / family
- c) For souls
- d) Kingdom business
- e) My job / school
- f) Against evil