

The Two Weapons of the Kingdom Community Culture

Acts 16:32-34 AMPC

[32] And they declared what.

- The Word of the Lord the doctrine concerning the attainment through Christ of eternal salvation in the Kingdom of God (they found soul ties around the kingdom business of Jesus Christ.
- To him and to all who were in his house. (The home was a Christ centered home in their values, their resources, and their relationship goals.)

[33] And he took them the same hour of the night and bathed them because of their bloody wounds.

- They ministered to the suffering wounds and sacrifices of the apostles. They were not selfishly living and pimping off of the anointing of the apostle. Real relational bonding came when they ministered to the wounds of other people.
- And he was baptized immediately and all the members of his household. They soul tied around bringing families closer to the KCC.

[34] Then he took them up into his house and set food before them; and he leaped much for joy and exulted with all his family that he believed in God accepting and joyously welcoming what He had made known through Christ.

- Joy and satisfaction from life came from the experiences they received by the Holy Ghost. They included the move of God in their household. God was not something to experience only at church or a mid-winter camp. Their joy was inclusionary to Kingdom focus for family bonding.

There are two weapons we must have to survive with a relationship with Jesus Christ. These weapons are used to advance His Kingdom Community Culture:

1. Our home lifestyle must be Christ centered.
 - In our opening video we see Abraham rescue Lot from Chedorlaomer and the other four kings.
 - Abraham took 318 trained servants to fight a larger Army.
 - They were outnumbered and faced a suicide mission to rescue his nephew Lot.
 - After the successful rescue Lot and his family did not want to return back home with Uncle Abraham.
 - Lot and his family made soul ties to a very resourceful community.
 - It was compared to the garden of the Lord. It was beautiful land with many family resources.
 - This fertile land contained a resource called bitumen. This brought them much wealth. It was used to make jewelry, sculptures, and coating for roads.
 - Sodom and Gomorrah flowed with grapes, figs, chickpeas, barley, wheat and much more. You see this in **Gen. 14:10**
 - This is why Lot's wife turned into a pillar of salt. She had soul ties to a cultural community she deeply loved.
 - Lot's families were not homosexuals. They were very family oriented with each other.
 - They spent their time in family activities that brought genuine love and care for each other.
 - But **Ex. 16:49** says the family bonding and unity centered on the wrong community culture.
 - Vs. 49 says this Kingdom Community Culture was rooted with pride.
 - The family love philosophies were entrenched with the overabundance of food.
 - The Ezekiel writer goes on to say they experienced a lot of prosperous ease. Meaning Lot's family was not concerned about soul winning.
 - They had no burden to advance the KCC of Jesus Christ.
 - Their family activities where centered on what pleases them only.

- They became idle with time wasted on what pleased them.
 - Lot loved his family very much but found a cultural lifestyle outside of the Abrahamic covenant. He tells his uncle I don't want to return with you to living in tents.
 - I don't want to help people with their wounds like the jailer did with Paul.
 - The verse goes on to say they did not strengthen the hand of the poor and needy.
 - So this is the real sin of the two cities.
 - Homosexuality and violence came as a results of these communities misappropriating God's love into a humanism kind of love.
 - We know the end of the story. Lot lost his whole family in result of these choices he freely made.
2. So our home lifestyle must be a Christ centered culture in order to survive and thrive in a Sodom and Gomorrah we now live in.
- Where marriage sexuality is built around Christ centered unselfishness. And not just what pleases you.
 - Where there is in nationality to passing down kingdom values to your children.
 - Where single believers have a KCC focus with a different kind of intensity than married people do according to **1 Corinthians 7:31-34 AMPC**

[31] And those who deal with this world overusing the enjoyments of this life as though they were not absorbed by it and as if they had no dealings with it. For the outward form of this world (the present world order) is passing away. He is saying you have to guard at all times how you use the enjoyments of this world. In vs.32]

- My desire is to have you free from all anxiety and distressing care. The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord--how he may please the Lord.

[33] But the married man is anxious about worldly matters--how he may please his wife.

- Paul is not saying please your wife with a home that is not Christ centered. It's in the KCC I seek to please my wife. Lot failed to do this.

[34] And he is drawn in diverging directions his interests are divided and he is distracted from his devotion to God.

- Men are fighting every day distractions that seek to keep us Kingdom minded.
- And the unmarried woman or girl is concerned and anxious about the matters of the Lord, how to be wholly separated and set apart in body and spirit. Paul is describing the KCC.
- It's our hurts, our wounds, and disappointments that cause us to seek happiness outside of Abraham's camp.
- But the married woman has her cares centered in earthly affairs--how she may please her husband. Again this is all in the continuation cut of the KCC.
- Lot took all of these good principles for love way too fast and perverted them to the point he became desensitized to the sin and wickedness around him.

I speak the word of faith over our families right now:

1. You are the Lord of Host, set Your angels over our homes and resources. Keep out this spirit of compromise and lukewarmness Lot had for his family.
2. Help us to discern Kingdom Community values when under attack by philosophies and worldly seductions.
3. Renew my convictions I lost for a Christ centered home.
4. Help me to be intentional with building this atmosphere in my home and with my children.
5. I will get rid of ungodly movies and music that has compromised my home.
6. Help me listen to the Abraham elders in my life who see me get off track.
7. Use my family to build Your Kingdom and not divide it with my four and no more attitude.
8. Use my Christ centered love to build Your Kingdom.

9. Let my children see it and be motivated to do the same.
 10. Give us strength when facing the temptations of Sodom to do the right things when nobody is watching.
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1. So our first weapon to build a KCC is to build with intentionality a Christ centered lifestyle in the home in order to survive and thrive in a Sodom and Gomorrah we now live in.
2. The second weapon is passionately downloading His power love in you, daily.
3. This is what gives you the desire and motivation to run a Christ centered home.
4. The kingdom community culture is not a religion or an organization.
5. The Kingdom of Heaven is within you when you become born again, baptized in Jesus name, and filled with the baptism of the Holy Ghost speaking with other tongues.
6. Being a good moral person is not enough to thrive in the KCC.
7. Just going to church on Sundays does not keep you from the seductions of Sodom.
8. We can only help others when we allow God to download more of His Kingdom power in us through prayer and His Word.

Read Ex. 33:18

- Moses is asking God to download more of His love in him because he does not want to lead the people without it.
- In other words he knew his love is not enough to build the KCC.
- God Himself called the people stubborn and stiff necked.
- Moses couldn't take it so he moves his prayer tent outside of the camp.
- Moses is responsible for leading 3 million people in the wilderness.
- In other words sometimes I don't feel like building the KCC because of the people in the kingdom who get on my nerves.
- So like Lot I will find some entertainment in Sodom.
- That's where some of you are today.

So God responds to Moses complaint by not answering him directly. In Ex. 33:19-23.

- This can be a problem for people
- We must like what God likes to talk about if we are to run joy the spirit of prayer.
- Some of you don't enjoy prayer because you don't like what God likes.
- Or you struggle to receive God's love because of a lack of fasting (talk about it)
- Now let's read **Exodus 33:19-23 AMPC**

[19] And God said, I will make all My goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim My name, THE LORD, before you; for I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy and loving-kindness on whom I will show mercy and loving-kindness. [20] But, He said, You cannot see My face, for no man shall see Me and live. [21] And the Lord said, Behold, there is a place beside Me, and you shall stand upon the rock, [22] And while My glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft of the rock and cover you with My hand until I have passed by. [23] Then I will take away My hand and you shall see My back; but My face shall not be seen.

God downloads into Moses his power to serve the people **Exodus 34:5-8 AMPC**

[5] And the Lord descended in the cloud and stood with him there and proclaimed the name of the Lord. [6] And the Lord passed by before him, and proclaimed, The Lord! The Lord! a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and

abundant in loving-kindness and truth, [7] Keeping mercy and loving-kindness for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but Who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children and the children's children, to the third and fourth generation. [8] And Moses made haste to bow his head toward the earth and worshiped.

Close. Why don't we cry out for God to download by our worship and prayer His power to love like Moses did? Show me Your glory Lord so I can love like You love.

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