

Sermon Title: Essential Kingdom Commitments

Date: Sunday, January 29, 2017
 Speaker: Pastor J.



Background Scripture: Hebrews 6:1 (MSG)

So come on, let's leave the preschool finger-painting exercises on Christ and get on with the grand work of art. Grow up in Christ. The basic foundational truths are in place: turning your back on "salvation by self-help" and turning in trust toward God;

Jumpstart and Review:

* **Commitment:** an engagement or pledge to do something; an unreserved devotion; to be bound to stand fast or hold in place.

* We discussed 3 of 5 Essential Kingdom Commitments:

1. Are You Committed to Building A Relationship With Jesus? (Phil. 3:8, Heb. 6:1)

- Anointed AHA #1: *Conversion is NOT the Conclusion to Discipleship; it's the Catalyst!*

2. Are You Committed to Overcoming Sin? (Ps. 37:1-5; 101:3, Prov. 8:13; 25:28, Rom. 12:9)

- Anointed AHA #2: *A Disciples growth can be measured by the sin we overcome & KEEP overcoming!*

3. Are You Committed to Your Marriage? (Prov. 18:22, 1 Pet. 3:1-7, Heb. 13:4, Mal. 2:11-16)

- Marriage is a Covenant & a Covenant is the highest form of Commitment.

- A lack of commitment to our marriage covenant breaks down everything else in our spiritual walk.

WHY? – B/c the marriage covenant mirrors the relationship that Christ has w/ the Church.

Are You Committed to Your Children? (Duet. 6:4-7, Eph. 6:4, Prov. 22:6)

- This kind of Commitment gets God's attention.

Are You Committed to Your Ministry? (Luke 9:62)

- To serve God & His people, we must be committed to His Will, His way for our lives.

QFC (Questions For Consideration)

1. When you hear the phrase "Kingdom Commitment," what comes to mind?

2. Should outside influences affect Kingdom Commitments? When/If they do, how should we respond?

Reflect-n-Recap

- 1. This week's lesson was ...*
- 2. The areas I feel this lesson growing me are ...*
- 3. Comments / Testimonial / Question*