

Beyond Part 2 – Prepare a Place & "Pray Em" Home Pastor Dave Patterson 03.19.2023

USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

We have provided all the Scriptures references in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to discuss the weekend message.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together. Give priority to the needs and pace of your group members.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships. Use the discussion questions as you see fit but emphasize the relationships.

"Buildings are not eternal but what happens inside of them is."

[Exodus 25:22, NLT]

"I will meet with you there and I will speak with you..."

[2 Samuel 7:12a-13, NLT]

^{12a} I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, your own flesh and blood, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³ He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.

[Acts 2:46, NLT]

They worshiped together at the Temple each day and met in their homes for the Lord's Supper, sharing their meals with great joy and generosity-

[Acts 3:1-2b, NLT]

Peter and John went to the Temple one afternoon to take part in the three o'clock prayer service. As they approached the Temple, a man lame from birth was being carried in.

[Isaiah 54:2-3, NLT]

² "Enlarge your house; build an addition. Spread out your home, and spare no expense! ³ For you will soon be bursting at the seams.

We are not building for those in the room but for those who are not here yet, but they are on their way.

Why Beyond?

- 1. Prepare a Place
- 2. "Pray Em" Home

[John 14:2-3, NASB]

² In My Father's house there are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.

[Luke 22:31-32, AMP]

³¹ "Simon, Simon (Peter), listen! Satan has demanded permission to sift all of you like grain; ³² but I have prayed, especially for you Peter, that your faith and confidence in Me may not fail; and you, once you have turned back again to Me, strengthen and support your brothers in the faith."

[Romans 8:34, AMP]

Christ Jesus is the One who died to pay our penalty, and more than that, who was raised from the dead and who is at the right hand of God interceding with the Father for us.

Key Points

- 1. Prepare a Place
- 2. "Pray Em" Home

Applications for the Week:

This week, set time aside each day to pray over the names you wrote down on your impact card. Let's continue to prepare a place for them and let's "pray em" home.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. How does God establish His Kingdom on the earth? How important is the church (you) involved in this process?
- 2. In your life, what are you preparing for that isn't there yet?
- 3. Ps Dave said, "Buildings are not eternal but what happens inside of them is." Share briefly how you have seen this play out in someone's life or your own story.
- 4. How does the story of Amy Simple McPherson and Angelus Temple motivate you to stretch your faith and increase your vision?
- 5. Jesus didn't just prepare a place, He prayed them home. How are you preparing a place and praying for those you know who are far from God? (See Luke 22:31-32)
- 6. When have your seen your preparations, joined with prayer, bring someone back to community, family, or the church?
- 7. How does Romans 8:34 encourage you in how God understands and loves you?
- 8. Who is someone in your life that you can pray them into the house?

Group Action:

Take time at the end of group to pray for those who are on your impact cards and ask God "what do you want to do through me?" Be expectant and anticipate Him to move and speak to you.