



FOR WE ARE GOD'S FELLOW WORKERS.

ARE GOD'S FIELD, GOD'S BUILDING.
1 CORINTHIANS 3:9

1 Corinthians 3:10-15

3 Essentials for building our life

1. Right foundation
2. Right materials
3. Right motivation

Building life with right foundation

“ Silent Exodus”

Can the East Asian church in North America reverse the flight of its next generation?

Christianity Today (August 12, 1996)

3 Strategies for next generation ministry

1. Radical discipleship

2. Reform of church structure

3. Expand the scope of church mission

National Association of Evangelicals describes evangelicals as those who focus “on the core convictions of the triune God, the Bible, faith, Jesus, salvation, evangelism, and discipleship.”

Webster includes in its definition, “emphasizing salvation by faith in the atoning death of Jesus Christ through personal conversion, the authority of Scripture ...”.

A **radical disciple** is someone who believes in Jesus and whose beliefs inform and transform their behavior. Discipleship goes beyond mere believing and puts feet to what one is learning about Jesus along the way... Radical discipleship is carrying out the commands of Jesus in every way possible. As the scripture says,

“Growing in every way to become more and more like Christ, who is the head of the church.”

Eph. 4:15

¹⁸Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Therefore **go and make disciples of all nations**, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to **obey everything I have commanded you**. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

[Matthew 28:18-20](#)

Building life with right materials

Materials for the building

Materials	Cost of material	Combustible
Gold	Expensive	Not easily
Silver	Expensive	Not easily
Costly stones	Expensive	Not easily
Wood	Cheap	Easily
Hay	Cheap	Easily
Stubble	Cheap	Easily

Building life with right motivation

Meaning of the word “boasting”

1. It can mean “to take pride in” or
2. To glory in
3. But at times, it comes very close to the concept of “trust” that is, “to put one’s full confidence in”
4. We boast in that which we have risked everything in order to secure ourselves

“No life ever lived on this planet has been so influential in the affairs of men like the life of Jesus Christ. From that brief life and its apparent frustration has flowed a more powerful force for the triumphant waging of man’s long battle than any other ever known by the human race.

“Kenneth Latourette” on the history of expansion of Christianity

By it millions have been lifted from illiteracy and ignorance and have been placed upon the road of growing intellectual freedom and control over the physical environment. It has done more to allay the physical ills of disease and famine than any other impulse known to man.

“Kenneth Latourette” on the history of expansion of Christianity

It emancipated millions from chattel slavery and millions of others from addiction to vice. It has protected tens of millions in exploitation by their fellows. It's been the most fruitful source of movement to lessen the horrors of war and to put the relations of men and nations on the basis of justice and peace."

"Kenneth Latourette" on the history of expansion of
Christianity

23 His master replied, “well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Enter the joy of your master!”

Matthew 25:23