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OUR PARAMETERS

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What is a Parameter?

A set of facts or a fixed limit that establishes or limits how something can or must happen or be done



What if God says go to the top of the mountain?

Synonym of Parameter

- Boundary
- Restriction
- Constraint
- Restraint

Ephesians 2:10

NLT

10 For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.

- The author points out that we are created new in Christ Jesus so we can do things he planned for us long before we were even born!!!
- He also goes on to state that we weren't only created to be his children....**BUT EQUALLY TO BE PRODUCTIVE KINGDOM CITIZENS!!!**



House Building Stages

- Foundation – Lordship/God
- Framework or Structure – Sanctified Lifestyle
- The Purpose – Fruitfulness or Purpose
- The author identified that in the actual homebuilding process the installation of woodwork, cabinets, carpeting, tile, marble countertops, paint, and eventually the lighting finishes the home. But this will look good and last ONLY if the first two building stages are strong! We frequently face choices in life that appear good however quite often they are not GOD'S BEST FOR US.

Biblical Example

- Galatians 4 – Paul defends his gospel by an allegorical application of the story of Isaac and Ishmael. Paul illustrates a point he has already proven which is that true descent from Abraham was spiritual and not physical. Abraham's real heir was the son of a FREE Woman not the son of a SLAVE Girl. Isaac represents those who trust in Christ, and Ishmael represents those who are in bondage to the Law. Therefore, Christians are the true sons of God!

- References – Gal. 3:14, Matt. 3:9, John 8:31-44, Rom. 4:16

TEXT LAYOUT 2

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Able to Do

This is where we as believers put parameters on what God can and will do in our lives.

Things we've been told

- “You Can’t”
- “Don’t get your hopes up”
- “That’s out of your league”
- “Stay in your lane”

Things we tell ourselves

- “I”
- “My Truth”

Biblical Example

- Ephesians 3:20 NLT– Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think.

Authors Example

- The author gives the example of the billionaire and 3 young entrepreneurs:
- 1st a young woman – who wants to build a bakery = her plan \$100k (couple thousand a month revenue)
- 2nd a young man – who wants to build some houses = his plan \$250k (\$200k in 3 years revenue)
- 3rd young woman – who wanted to build a business complex = her plan \$245m (net profit millions monthly)
- The billionaire had to address their attitudes of envy because it was evident that their countenance changed after hearing all the young woman was experiencing with her business. Is your “ABLE TO DO LIMITING GOD’S ABUNDANCE TO DO”?

Abundance

- Matthew 25:29 NLT– ²⁹ To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and they will have an abundance. But from those who do nothing, even what little they have will be taken away.



God has no problem with abundance

He is against abundance possessing
us!

Abundance

Matthew 25:29 NLT

- To those who use well what they are given, even more will be given, and they will have an abundance. But from those who do nothing, even what little they have will be taken away.

Matthew 13:12 NLT

- To those who listen to my teaching, more understanding will be given, and they will have an abundance of knowledge. But for those who are not listening, even what little understanding they have will be taken away from them.

Abundance = Empowerment

To use empowerment well is to use it to build lives, to build the kingdom!

So, if your destroying things/people are your truly living and operating in God's abundance?

Key Points

- Our Container – The is so much more he could do through each of us. Whether we realize it or not we all set constraints. Our boundaries, what we can contain decide how much we will partake of the unlimited supply of God.
- Rule in Life – The Grace of God is overwhelming. An undeserved gift of salvation, forgiveness, a new nature, and empowerment to live a godly life. This enables us to multiply, be fruitful, and reign in life. (Romans 5:17)
- Beyond the Norm – Work to create exceptional qualities through you connection with God. Daniel is the example that it can be done by us with the Spirit of God living on the inside of you. (Daniel 6:3)
- A Truly Good Life – God is able to do through you exceedingly, abundantly above all you can ask or think. But **YOU MUST REMOVE ALL PARAMETERS** and confidently allow God to do his good work in you! (Phil. 1:6)



GOOD OR GOD?:

WHY GOOD WITHOUT GOD ISN'T ENOUGH