



SHAMMAH

SEPT SERMON SERIES

Key Takeaways:

1. God expects us to prioritize His house (the church) and His kingdom.
2. When we neglect God's priorities, we may experience lack in our own lives.
3. Obedience and faithfulness to God lead to multiplication and blessing.
4. Our testimony and daily worship are important for representing God's kingdom.

Discussion Questions:

1. The sermon uses the story from Haggai about rebuilding the temple. How does this apply to our lives today? What might "rebuilding God's house" look like in our current context?

2. Pastor mentions the principle "You can always expect multiplication upon application." What does this mean to you? Can you share an experience where you've seen this principle at work in your life?
3. How do you balance taking care of your personal needs and prioritizing God's kingdom? What challenges do you face in this area?
4. The sermon emphasizes the importance of testimony. Why do you think sharing our testimonies is so crucial? How comfortable are you with sharing your own testimony?
5. Pastor talks about inviting God's "divine presence" into our lives. What's the difference between God's omnipresence and His divine presence? How can we cultivate more of God's divine presence in our daily lives?
6. Reflect on the analogy of preparing your house for the president's visit. How can we apply this concept to our spiritual lives and our relationship with God?

Practical Applications:

1. Daily Devotion: Commit to spending time each day in prayer and Bible reading, putting God first in your schedule.
2. Testimony Sharing: Practice sharing your testimony with the group. Consider writing it down to help articulate it clearly.
3. Church Involvement: Identify one way you can invest more in your local church this week (e.g., volunteering, attending a midweek service, joining a ministry).
4. Gratitude Journal: Start a daily gratitude journal, writing down specific ways God has blessed or provided for you.
5. Financial Stewardship: Prayerfully consider your giving to the church. If you're not tithing, make a plan to start or increase your giving.

6. Kingdom Focus: Each day this week, ask yourself: "How can I represent God's kingdom well in my actions and words today?"