

Banners- The Principle of First

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It's important that God's Word continues after the message. At Celebrate, we find that we will quite often talk over this week's message long after our experience is over. That's because God has impact. The Sermon Discussion Guide is designed to help you continue the conversation all week.

The Principle of First: When God is first, everything in your life will come into order. But when God is not first, everything is out of order.

1. The Firstborn must be <u>sacrificed</u> or <u>redeemed</u>.

The clean (lamb) must be sacrificed. The unclean (donkey) must be redeemed by the clean. Jesus (the clean) was sacrificed to redeem us (the unclean).

How are you keeping God first in all areas of your life (Ex. Finances, work, family)? *Romans 5:8; 1 Timothy 1:15; 1 John 2:2; Exodus 13: 12-14*

2. The First Fruits must be offered.

Giving is offering something that belongs to you; bringing is offering something that belongs to God. What belongs to God? What areas of your life do you need help in keeping God first? *1 Kings 20:3; Psalm 50:10; Hagar 2:9*

3. The Tithe must be First.

How do people steal from/ rob God? Why is the tithe <u>not</u> about money? Leviticus 27:30; Malachi 3:8-12

What's Next?

- Put God first. If He isn't first that is the next step.
- Keep God first. If He isn't first everything else will be