

A CHURCH THAT HONORS GOD

Part 4 of Series: The Power of Honor

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“... may you be able to feel and understand, as all God’s children should, how long, how wide, how deep, and how high His love really is; and to experience this love for yourselves, though it is so great that you will never see the end of it or fully know or understand it. And so at last you will be filled up with God himself. Now glory be to God, who by His mighty power at work within us is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask or even dream of—infininitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes. May He be given glory forever and ever through endless ages because of His master plan of salvation for the Church through Jesus Christ.”

Ephesians 3:18-21 (TLB)

1. DREAM BIG

“Now glory be to God, who by His mighty power at work within us is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask or even dream of—infininitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes.”

Ephesians 3:20 (TLB)

- **God’s vision for your life is bigger than your ability.**

“Where there is no vision, the people perish....”

Proverbs 29:18 (KJV)

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Ephesians 3:18 (TLB)

“I am the LORD, the God of all mankind. Is anything too hard for Me?”

Jeremiah 32:27 (NIV)

- **God uses ordinary people to do extraordinary things**

“But the plans of the LORD stand firm forever, the purposes of His heart through all generations.”

Psalms 33:11 (NIV)

Woodlands Church Purpose Statement:

We exist to help people experience Christ rather than man’s creation of religion, so they can grow strong in Christ and take the Christ experience to the world.

2. PRAY HARD

"You're blessed when you're at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more of God and His rule."
Matthew 5:3 (MSG)

- **God fights for you when you fall on your knees**

"... This is what the Lord says: Do not be afraid! don't be discouraged by this mighty army, for the battle is not yours but God's.... Tomorrow, march out against them.... But you will not even need to fight. Take your positions, then stand still and watch the Lord's victory. He is with you...."
2 Chronicles 20:15b, 16a, 17a (NLT)

3. BUILD PEOPLE

"So encourage each other and build each other up, just as you are already doing."
1 Thessalonians 5:11 (NLT)

4. PRAISE GOD

"It was not by their sword that they won the land, nor did their arm bring them victory; it was Your right hand, Your arm, and the light of Your face, for You loved them."
Psalm 44:3 (NIV)

"Let them praise the LORD for His great love and for the wonderful things He has done for them. Let them exalt Him publicly before the congregation and before the leaders of the nation."
Psalm 107:31-32 (NLT)