

SUMMER at LA KESHORE

BUILD, PLANT, PRAY - PASTOR BRAD HOWARD

JULY 12TH, 2020

If the foundations are destroyed, What can the righteous do?

Psalms 11:3 NKJV

We are experiencing escalating division in the Church.

Now I plead with you...that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

1 Corinthians 1:10 NKJV

"In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty; in all things, love."

If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand.

Mark 3:24-25 NKJV

We are experiencing increasing tension in our nation.

Righteousness exalts a nation, But sin is a reproach to any people.

Proverbs 14:34 NKJV

"A house divided against itself cannot stand. I believe this government cannot endure, permanently half slave and half free. I do not expect the Union to be dissolved—I do not expect the house to fall—but I do expect it will cease to be divided. It will become all one thing or all the other."

—Abraham Lincoln

Righteous, tsâdaq - one who is literally doing the right thing according to the Scriptures.

WHAT CAN WE DO?

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"Build homes, and plan to stay. Plant gardens, and eat the food they produce. Marry and have children. Then find spouses for them so that you may have many grandchildren. Multiply! Do not dwindle away! And work for the peace and prosperity of the city where I sent you into exile. Pray to the LORD for it, for its welfare will determine your welfare."

[Jeremiah 29:5-7 NLT](#)

1. BUILD

Build homes, and plan to stay.

[Jeremiah 29:5a NLT](#)

"Anyone who listens to My teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. Though the rain comes in torrents and the floodwaters rise and the winds beat against that house, it won't collapse because it is built on bedrock.

[Matthew 7:24-25 NLT](#)

And it shall be said, "Build up, build up, prepare the way, remove every obstruction from my people's way."

[Isaiah 57:14 ESV](#)

Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.

[Ephesians 4:29 ESV](#)

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart Be acceptable in Your sight, O LORD, my strength and my Redeemer.

[Psalms 19:14 NKJV](#)

2. PLANT

Plant gardens, and eat the food they produce. Marry and have children. Then find spouses for them so that you may have many grandchildren. Multiply! Do not dwindle away!

[Jeremiah 29:5b-6 NLT](#)

As long as the earth remains, there will be planting and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night."

[Genesis 8:22 NLT](#)

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Don't be misled--you cannot mock the justice of God. You will always harvest what you plant.

Galatians 6:7 NLT

I said, 'Plant the good seeds of righteousness, and you will harvest a crop of love. Plow up the hard ground of your hearts, for now is the time to seek the LORD, that He may come and shower righteousness upon you.'

Hosea 10:12 NLT

3. PRAY

And work for the peace and prosperity of the city where I sent you into exile. Pray to the LORD for it, for its welfare will determine your welfare."

Jeremiah 29:7 NLT

If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

2 Chronicles 7:14 NKJV