

KINGDOM CULTURE

The early church believers stood in a culture that brought growth, power and favour upon the church.

Acts 2: 41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls. 42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles 'doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. NKJV

This is a kingdom culture that must be developed in every home. It is based on four simple principles:

Apostles Doctrine

This is simply the teaching of God's word in the home on a consistent basis. This doctrine comes from One who is Sent that would lay foundations for growth in the life of the believers.

Fellowship

This is the coming together of the family regularly to fellowship around the doctrine. Fellowship is not merely socializing but it is the discussion of teachings so that it is embedded into the hearts and minds of those fellowshiping

Breaking of Bread

Jesus gave us a New Covenant in His blood and said "do this in remembrance of Me". The practice of the Lord's Table must be carried out daily in the home so that we remember the Lord's death till He returns

Prayers

Prayer is a vital component of maintaining a relationship with God. It is simply conversations that are held with God. Families must pray together and celebrate when God answers their prayers

THIS CULTURE MUST BE STRICTLY MAINTAINED IN THE HOME



REBUKE

*23 Turn at my rebuke;
Surely I will pour out my spirit on you;
I will make my words known to you.
(Proverbs 1:23 NKJV)*

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Day 1

REPENT

(Luke 17:3 NKJV) 3 Take heed to yourselves. If your brother sins against you, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him.

Rebuke must lead to repentance that leads to forgiveness. Rebuke is not merely to correct but to lead one to repentance. When a brother in the Kingdom sins against you we follow the protocol of going to our brother in the hope that there will be reconciliation.

Pray:

- 1.) That rebuke will bring repentance
- 2.) For grace in your life to forgive the brother that is repentant
- 3.) That you would repent quickly if you are rebuked

Day 2

EXHORT

(1 Timothy 5:1-2 NKJV) 1 Do not rebuke an older man, but exhort him as a father, younger men as brothers, 2 older women as mothers, younger women as sisters, with all purity

Timothy as a young minister had to deal with different age groups. Paul reminded him to exhort rather than to rebuke to maintain the principle of family. While it is necessary to rebuke it is also essential to exhort

Pray:

- 1.) That you would know when to rebuke and when to exhort
- 2.) For the principle of honor to be maintained in your life
- 3.) That strong family relationships would be experienced when we exhort

Day 3

BE DESTROYED

(Proverbs 29:1 NKJV) 1 He who is often rebuked, and hardens his neck, Will suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy

When one is rebuked and refuses to change or to repent then they will suddenly be destroyed without remedy. Rebuke is to help not destroy. It is dependant on how the one receiving the rebuke responds

Pray:

- 1.) That you would respond to rebuke so that you will not be destroyed
- 2.) For those that have rejected wise counsel and are being destroyed
- 3.) That God would soften the hardened heart when one is rebuked

Day 4

UNBELIEF

(Mark 16:14 NKJV) 14 Later He appeared to the eleven as they sat at the table; and He rebuked their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they did not believe those who had seen Him after He had risen.

Jesus rebuked the unbelief of the disciples after He appeared to them. Christ appears to us in many forms. He appears through the word, His presence, His power, His representatives and still we do not believe. We become hard in our hearts.

Pray:

- 1.) That you would believe when Christ appears
- 2.) For unwavering trust in God
- 3.) That your heart would not be hardened through unbelief

Day 5

KINGS

(Psalms 105:14 NKJV) 14 He permitted no one to do them wrong; Yes, He rebuked kings for their sakes,

God rebuked the kings of the earth to save His anointed nation called Israel. We as the church come under the same protection of God. He will rebuke earthly kingdoms to protect His royal seed, which is in the church

Pray

- 1.) That God would protect His church from the kings of this world
- 2.) That no one will do any wrong because God is with His church
- 3.) For the persecuted church to receive the mercy of God

Day 6

EAR

(Proverbs 15:31 NKJV) 31 The ear that hears the rebukes of life Will abide among the wise. My Father I have made known to you.

We must have ear to hear the rebukes of life. When we are able to hear then we are standing amongst the wise. A father is able to rebuke a son but the son must have a listening ear. The son will then receive the wisdom of the Father

Pray:

- 1.) For a ear to hear the rebukes of life
- 2.) That your listening ear would cause you to abide among the wise
- 3.) That you would listen to the advice of a spiritual father who rebukes