Titel: Partnership with God II

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Heavenly food

John 4:31-34

³¹In the meantime His disciples urged Him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." ³²But He said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." 33Therefore the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought Him anything to eat?" 34 Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work.

Willing and able

Philippians 2:13

¹³for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.

His will

1. All saved

1 Timothy 2:3-4

³For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

2. Disciples

Matthew 28:18-20

¹⁸And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20"teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

3. Building His church

Matthew 16:18

¹⁸"And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

Church

(1577) ekklesia ek-klay-see'-ah church 115, assembly 3; 118

- a calling out, i.e. (concretely) a popular meeting, especially a religious congregation assembly, church.
- a gathering of citizens called out from their homes into some public place, an assembly
- an assembly of the people convened at the public place of the council for the purpose of deliberating

Building church is about building people

1 Corinthians 3:5-15

⁵Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers through whom you believed, as the Lord gave to each one? ⁶I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase. ⁷So then neither he who plants is anything, nor he who waters, but God who gives the increase. 8Now he who plants and he who waters are one, and each one will receive his own reward according to his own labor. 9For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building. 10 According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. 11For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ, ¹²Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, ¹³each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it



will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. ¹⁴If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. ¹⁵If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.

1: Prayer

Colossians 1:1-9

¹Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, ²To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ who are in Colosse: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ³We give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you... ⁹For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding

Ephesians 1:15-16

¹⁵Therefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, ¹⁶do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers:

Philippians 1:3-4

³I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, ⁴always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy...

2 Thessalonians 1:11

¹¹Therefore we also pray always for you that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfill all the good pleasure of His goodness and the work of faith with power,

2 Timothy 1:3

³I thank God, whom I serve with a pure conscience, as my forefathers did, as without ceasing I remember you in my prayers night and day,

2: Speak life

Proverbs 18:21

²¹Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit.

3: Invest

1 Corinthians 4:15

¹⁵For though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel.

Philippians 2:3-4

³Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. ⁴Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.

Invest & Invite is a personal strategy. It means genuinely caring for people outside the church and then being bold enough to risk the relationship by inviting them into the church. It takes energy and effort to build and invest in a relationship. It takes equal compassion and courage to leverage that relationship for the sake of eternity.

We desire to make reaching your un-churched friends and family as easy as possible. We partner with you. You pray for and invest in the people in your life. When the time is right, you invite them to a relevant environment (Sunday celebration, small group, foundation). Our staff and volunteers will make sure that environment is appealing, engaging, and helpful. Only God can change hearts and lives, but we have the chance to partner with him in that work. We get to invest in those outside the faith and invite them to discover a relationship with their heavenly father.