

# **BUILDING A WINNING CULTURE**

## **Part 3: Expanding Your World To Include Others**

### **WHEN LIFE IS BIGGER THAN YOU**

- ❖ **More than just connected with God connecting with others is vital**
  - ◆ Takes your mind off of you
  - ◆ Increases the strength component of your life
  - ◆ Expands your vision and potential
- ❖ **Even in the middle of challenging times (*Hebrews 10:24-25 NKJV*)**
  - ◆ Thinking about others stirs us up and motivates others
  - ◆ Part of getting together is to encourage each other

### **A TEAM GOD USED (*2 Kings 7:3-9 NKJV*)**

- ❖ **A bond of commonality**
  - ◆ They no longer fit in the city
  - ◆ The disease equalized their situation
- ❖ **They did something courageous together**
  - ◆ Easier to step into the unknown when you are not alone
  - ◆ Were able to encourage each other to keep going
- ❖ **God used their efforts**
  - ◆ Took something small, their footsteps, and magnified it
- ❖ **They did not just sit on the blessings**
  - ◆ Took the good news back to the city
  - ◆ Thought about others besides themselves

### **EXPANDING YOUR WORLD TO INCLUDE OTHERS**

- ❖ **Recognize the common bond**
  - ◆ Our connection in Christ is stronger than race, demographics, interests  
(*1 Corinthians 12:27 NKJV*)
- ❖ **God often uses people as a source of strength**
  - ◆ Encouragement, prayers, resources
- ❖ **Become a channel of blessings to others - don't let blessings stop with you**
  - ◆ A key principle in God's Kingdom is giving and receiving (*Acts 20:35 NKJV*)
  - ◆ We are part of a Kingdom established by love - love gave to us