PURPOSE BUILT

Part 3: Kingdom Connections Kingdom Blessings

CONNECTIONS IN LIFE MATTER

A. Good or bad connections yield results

- 1. Business connections company you work for, investments you make
- 2. Relationship connections good ones are priceless, bad ones are painful
- 3. Culture connections the people you are around can have a major influence

B. Kingdom connections

- 1. When you became a believer you were transferred (Colossians 1:13 NLT)
- 2. Now you can connect with Kingdom purposes to advance and enhance God's Kingdom *(Ephesians 6:7-8 NIV)*

PETER: A MICROCOSM OF KINGDOM CONNECTIONS AND BLESSINGS

A. Better with a boat (Luke 5:1-11 NIV)

- 1. The boat was a more effective way for Jesus to reach the people
- 2. Jesus asked for Peter's involvement
- 3. Peter connected by giving of his time and his resources

B. A Kingdom reward

- 1. Jesus did not ignore what Peter had done He wanted to bless Peter
- 2. It was obvious that Peter did not yet understand the Lord's goodness
- 3. Peter made a faith decision battling between his head and his heart

C. Overwhelmed by God's goodness

- 1. A boat sinking catch made Peter aware of his sinfulness
- 2. God's plan for Peter did not end with fish blessings it was the beginning of his walk with God

MAKING KINGDOM CONNECTIONS AND SEEING KINGDOM BLESSINGS

A. Connecting with the Lord to do Kingdom business

- 1. Accomplished when you give Him your time and resources
- 2. Better with a building

B. Opening the door to Kingdom blessings

- 1. As you give with a cheerful heart grace comes your way (2 Corinthians 9:6-8 NIV)
- 2. Make a faith decision
- 3. Look for God's involvement He is still the same, still gracious and generous as ever

C. God's plan does not end with blessings (Ephesians 3:20 NIV)

- 1. His plan for you is bigger and better than where you are now
- 2. He wants to be a bigger part of your life and can be as you open the door to Him