

Why is home so important?

Proverbs 24:3-4

By wisdom a house is built, and by understanding it is established; by knowledge the rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant riches.

Isaiah 32:18

My people will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places.

- Wisdom, understanding, knowledge, pleasant things
- Peaceful, a place to stay not leave, security, quiet, restful

Romans 15 Part 1

Romans 15:1-6

Now we who are strong have an obligation to bear the weaknesses of those without strength, and not to please ourselves.

- Strength, being strong
- You are obligated based on what has been given you
- How do you know you are strong?
- How do you know you are weak?

Isaiah 40:31

But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

- Are you waiting on the Lord?
- When we wait...when we REST (house of Shalom), we are renewed in strength.
- Rest in Christ gives us perspective (1,000-foot view)
- Weariness comes from expended efforts in the wrong direction
- We move in the direction of Christ's calling, not our instinct

2 Each one of us is to please his neighbor for his good, to build him up.

- Their good, not our good

Galatians 6:10

So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

- Your focus, my focus is on others. Not ourselves
- This starts with your family
- And is extended to your neighbors. Your work
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3 For even Christ did not please himself. On the contrary, as it is written, The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.

- Ever been called names?
- Have you ever been made fun of?
- Jesus gets you
- He feels insulted when you are

Isaiah 41:10

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Home matters

Some people have no home

The churches responsibility is to provide a spiritual home

Our King, Jesus, focused on others. We are called to be like Jesus