



SERMON NOTES

Imagine

Part IV: Take Charge While I'm Away

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FOUR KEY RESULTS OF CREATION

First, man's STATUS.

Second, man's SELECTION.

Third, man's STEWARDSHIP.

Fourth, man's SUPREMACY.

Genesis 1:28 (BBE)

28 And God gave them his blessing and said to them, Be fertile and have increase, and make the earth full and be masters of it; be rulers over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing moving on the earth.

Hebrews 2:7-8 (BBE)

7 You made him a little lower than the angels; you gave him a crown of glory and honour, and made him ruler over all the works of your hands: 8 You put all things under his feet. For in making man the ruler over all things, God did not put anything outside his authority; though we do not see everything under him now.

Luke 19:16-19 (GW)

16 "The first servant said, 'Sir, the coin you gave me has earned ten times as much.' 17 "The king said to him, 'Good job! You're a good servant. You proved that you could be trusted with a little money. Take charge of ten cities.' 18 "The second servant said, 'The coin you gave me, sir, has made five times as much.' 19 "The king said to this servant, 'You take charge of five cities.'

Romans 5:17 (AMP)

17 "...Reign as kings in life through...Jesus Christ!

2 Peter 2:19 (NLT)

19 They promise freedom, but they themselves are slaves of sin and corruption. For you are a slave to whatever controls you.

God CREATED man then CROWNED man.

Stewards Rule Over Five Key Areas

1. Rule over our own spirit–

Proverbs 25:28 (NKJV)

28 Whoever has no rule over his own spirit is like a city broken down, without walls.

2. Rule in Service of our specialized craft–

Ecclesiastes 2:18-19 (NKJV)

18 Then I hated all my labor in which I had toiled under the sun, because I must leave it to the man who will come after me. 19 And who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will rule over all my labor in which I toiled and in which I have shown myself wise under the sun. This also is vanity.

3. Rule in Service of our household–

1 Timothy 3:5 (NKJV)

5 (for if a man does not know how to rule his own house, how will he take care of the church of God?);

4. Rule in Service of God's house–

1 Timothy 5:17 (NKJV)

17 Let the elders who rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in the word and doctrine.

5. Rule in Service of a city, state or nation–

Titus 3:1 (NKJV)

1 Remind them to be subject to rulers and authorities, to obey, to be ready for every good work,

Deuteronomy 17:14-20 (NKJV)

14 “When you come to the land which the LORD your God is giving you, and possess it and dwell in it, and say, ‘I will set a king over me like all the nations that are around me,’

15 you shall surely set a king over you whom the LORD your God chooses; one from among your brethren you shall set as king over you; you may not set a foreigner over you, who is not your brother.

16 But he shall not multiply horses for himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt to multiply horses, for the LORD has said to you, ‘You shall not return that way again.’ 17 Neither shall he multiply wives for himself, lest his heart turn away; nor shall he greatly multiply silver and gold for himself. 18 “Also it shall be, when he sits on the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write for himself a copy of this law in a book, from the one before the priests, the Levites. 19 And it shall be with him, and he shall read it all the days of his life, that he may learn to fear the LORD his God and be careful to observe all the words of this law and these statutes, 20 that his heart may not be lifted above his brethren, that he may not turn aside from the commandment to the right hand or to the left, and that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he and his children in the midst of Israel.