



The Building Block of Priority

Building Blocks: The Foundations of a Great Life

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Memory Verse:

(Jesus) *"Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock. Though the rain comes in torrents and the floodwaters rise and the winds beat against that house, it won't collapse because it is built on bedrock."*
- Matthew 7:24-25

The Great Commandments

(Jesus) *"'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments."* - Matthew 22:37-40

The Foundations of a Great Life:

A Great Commitment to the Great Commandments
and the Great Commission done with Great Compassion
will grow a Great Christian and a Great Church.

HOW TO BUILD MY LIFE ON THE GREAT COMMANDMENTS

- **TO LOVE GOD WITH ALL MY HEART, I GIVE HIM PRIORITY OVER ANYONE OR ANYTHING ELSE.**

(Jesus) *"You must love the Lord your God with all your heart..."*
- Matthew 22:37

"But be careful. Don't let your heart be deceived so that you turn away from the LORD and serve and worship other gods." - Deuteronomy 11:16

- **TO LOVE GOD WITH ALL MY MIND, I GIVE HIM MY FOCUSED ATTENTION EACH DAY (ESPECIALLY SUNDAY).**

(Jesus) *"You must love the Lord your God with... all your mind."* - Matthew 22:37

"Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise."
- Philippians 4:8

- **TO LOVE MY NEIGHBOR AS MYSELF, I GIVE OTHERS MY TIME AND ENERGY WHERE NEEDED AND WHERE GIFTED.**

(Jesus) *"Love your neighbor as yourself."* - Matthew 22:39

(Jesus) *"For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many."* - Matthew 20:28

- **TO LOVE GOD WITH ALL MY SOUL, I GIVE HIM CONTROL OVER THE DIRECTION OF MY LIFE.**

(Jesus) *"You must love the Lord your God with... all your soul."* - Matthew 22:37

(Jesus) *"If you love me, obey my commandments... Those who accept my commandments and obey them are the ones who love me. And because they love me, my Father will love them. And I will love them and reveal myself to each of them."*
- John 14:15, 21

(Jesus) *"Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need."* - Matthew 6:33

Join us next Sunday, January 16 as we continue our **Building Blocks** teaching series with *The Building Block of Compassion*. Invite your friends and family and join us IN-PERSON at 11am at the AMC Empire 25 Theater in Times Square or for Church Online at 9am, 11am, & 1pm (plus additional online service times including Saturdays at 5pm or 7pm).

Weekly Action Steps:

- If you made a first-time decision to follow Jesus today, email follower@journeynyc.com to receive a free copy of "The Next Step for Your Journey" book, plus other helpful materials.
- If you are a first-time guest today, email book@journeynyc.com to receive a free copy of the book, "Unshakable: Standing Strong When Things Go Wrong" (a \$19.95 value).

My Next Step Today is to...

- ☐ Memorize Matthew 7:24-25.
- ☐ Recommit to building my life on the Great Commandments.
- ☐ Love others by finding a place to serve at The Journey. Please send me info on the following areas:
 - ☐ Journey Kidz
 - ☐ Worship Arts
 - ☐ Welcome Team
 - ☐ Serving in the Office
 - ☐ Community Service
- ☐ Send me information on *The Relationships Principles of Jesus* Professionals Breakfast led by special guest Tom Holladay on Wednesday, January 26 from 7:00-7:55am.

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