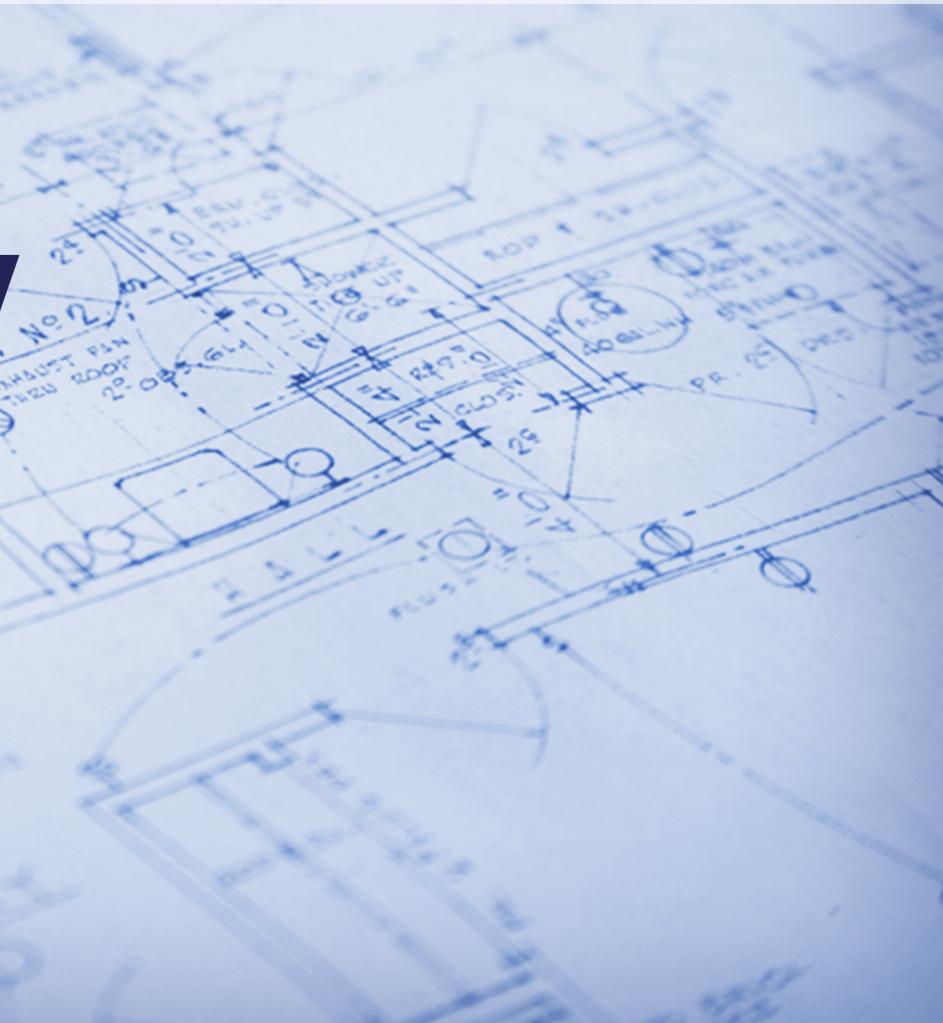
COMPOSITION OF THE KINGDOM

Physically FOCUSEC Pharisees



How we build depends on what we are trying to build.



The Kingdom of God: Daniel 2:44

"In the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which will never be destroyed, and that kingdom will not be left for another people; it will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms, but it will itself endure forever."

Luke's Gospel: Luke 1:3

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(Acts 23:26; 24:3; 26:25)



The True Kingdom: Luke 14-16



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Relishing and Relying on Worldly Wealth.



Luke 14:1-7

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Jesus' question was an opportunity for the Pharisees to examine their values.



Matthew 23:1-12

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The religious leaders who saw the kingdom with fleshly eyes looked to be served, not to serve.

Desiring and Defending Personal Position. Mark 10:35-45

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The disciples still sought honor in position in a coming physical kingdom.



PHYSICALLY FOCUSED PHARISEES

The argument and discussion about greatness continued even until Jesus served them at the Last Supper.

Luke 22:24-27

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Luke 15:1-2

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To the Pharisees, the kingdom was for the clean and righteous, not those tainted by sin.

Matthew 9:9-13

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Jesus' goal in treating sinners was to bring them to a place of moral healing.



Matthew 21:28-32





Matthew 21:28-32

Those who had failed were better able to see the need for a reliance on God alone.





Relishing and Relying on Worldly Wealth. Luke 16:14-15

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God's values weren't considered successful in the Pharisees' model of a fleshly kingdom.



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Physical success is not an indication of spiritual wealth and one can be detrimental to the other.

PHYSICALLY FOCUSED PHARISEES

Jesus placed a higher value on the paltry gift of the poor widow than the surplus of the rich.

Mark 12:41-44

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What are you building?



What are you building? How are you building?

