

# HIGH PERFORMANCE CHRISTIANITY

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PART 9: The Kingdom We Build

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## WHAT *is* THIS KINGDOM WE SEEK TO BUILD?

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ROMANS 14:17-19

*“For the Kingdom of God is not a matter of what we eat or drink, but of living a life of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. If you serve Christ with this attitude, you will please God, and others will approve of you, too. So then, let us aim for harmony in the church and try to build each other up.”*

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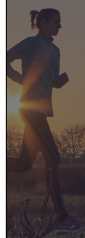
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WHAT THE KINGDOM *is not*

Kingdom building *is not*  
about outward activities  
and achievements.

*“For the Kingdom of God is not a matter  
of what we eat or drink.”* V. 17A



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Spiritual activities and  
achievements are the  
yard makers to  
Kingdom life, but they  
are not the end zone.



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*We will starve to death, spiritually, if we mistake church activity for Kingdom accomplishment.*



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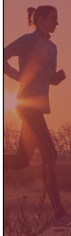
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## WHAT THE KINGDOM *is*

Kingdom building *is* about inward adjustments and attitudes.

*“The Kingdom of God... is righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.”* V. 17B



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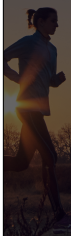
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## DEFINING RIGHTEOUSNESS, PEACE & JOY VERTICALLY

*“Through the Gospel, the righteousness of God is revealed.”* ROMANS 1:17

*“Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through Jesus.”* ROMANS 5:1

*“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.”* ROMANS 15:13



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In Romans 14, righteousness, peace and joy are not meant to be defined vertically much as they are to be applied **horizontally.**

*Our adjustment to the work of God theologically must be reflected in our attitudes toward the people of God relationally.*

## HOW THE KINGDOM *is* APPLIED

Kingdom building is practically applied by building healthy relationships.

*"If you serve Christ with this attitude, you will please God, and others will approve of you, too.*

*So then, let us aim for harmony in the church and try to build each other up." V. 18-19*

## THE CULTIVATION *of* RELATIONAL ATTITUDES

1

Relational righteousness requires cultivating an "I am third" attitude.

*"Be kindly affectionate with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another."*

ROMANS 12:10



My acceptable sacrifice of worship *to* God (ROMANS 12:1-2) is contingent upon my relational righteousness *with* people (ROMANS 12:3-21).

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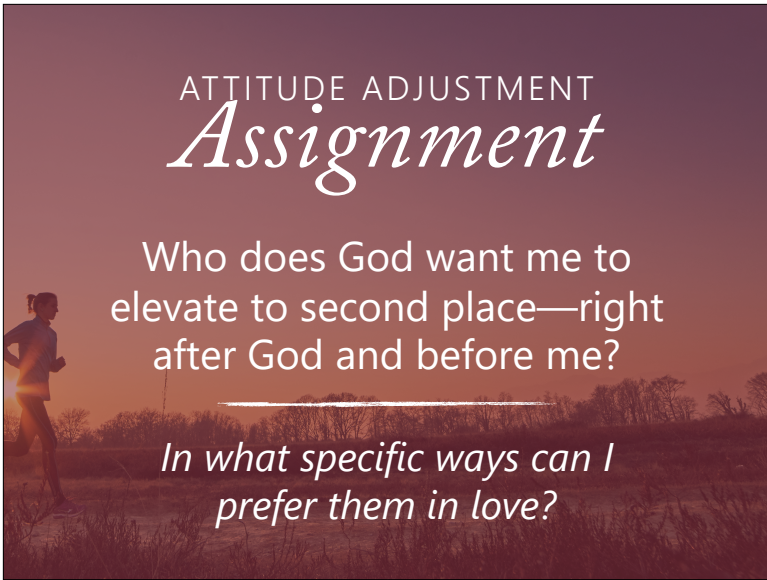
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ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT  
*Assignment*

Who does God want me to elevate to second place—right after God and before me?

*In what specific ways can I prefer them in love?*

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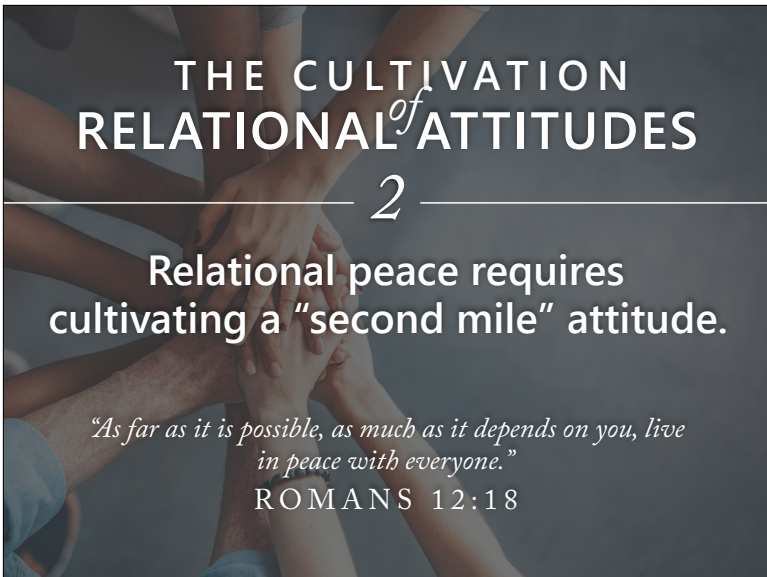
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THE CULTIVATION  
RELATIONAL *of* ATTITUDES

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Relational peace requires cultivating a “second mile” attitude.

*“As far as it is possible, as much as it depends on you, live in peace with everyone.”*

ROMANS 12:18

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THE  
*Second*  
MILE

*"Love forgets mistakes."* PROVERBS 17:9

*"Love covers a multitude of sins."* 1 PETER 4:8

*"Make allowances for each other's faults and forgive those who offend you, just like Jesus forgave you."* COLOSSIANS 3:13

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KEYS TO  
*Confrontation*

*Compliment more than you correct.*

*Compliment in public, correct in private.*

*Correct when they are up, not down.*

*Don't correct until they are open to it.*

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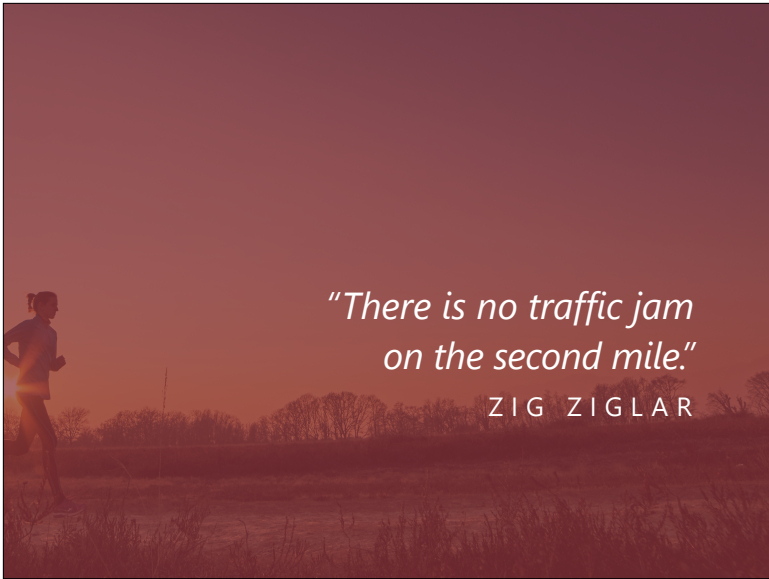
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*"There is no traffic jam on the second mile."*

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ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT  
*Assignment*

**Who** is God calling  
me to forgive?

**What** is God asking  
me to forget?

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THE CULTIVATION  
RELATIONAL *of* ATTITUDES  
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**Relational joy requires cultivating  
a "you first" attitude.**

*"May the God who gives endurance and  
encouragement give you the same attitude  
of mind toward each other."*

ROMANS 15:5

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**Relational joy comes from  
elevating and celebrating the  
Divine potential in others.**

Divine potential is encouraged by  
speaking a prophetic future into people's  
lives—helping them envision the best,  
believe the best and pursue the best  
that God has for them.

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# ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT *Assignment*

- Know your power tool.
- Keep guards in place.
- Be careful around children.
- Store safely when not in use.
- Never use in a flammable atmosphere.



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## THE KINGDOM WE BUILD

*Relational righteousness,  
peace and joy in the Holy  
Spirit is the practical stuff of  
which the Kingdom of God  
is made.*



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