



MESSAGE 6: A KINGDOM INFLUENCE

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**SUGGESTED PASSAGE:** 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

"Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come. Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and He has committed to us the word of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."

**MESSAGE GOAL:** In this final sermon from the Kingdom Man series you will want to conclude with a summary of all the information you have exhorted the congregation to pursue in becoming a kingdom man, or pursuing kingdom men in current marriages and future relationships for others. The cry for kingdom men is felt throughout society. So make that cry heard through the call within your congregation for men to stand up and honor the destiny God has called them to. The influence of a kingdom man doesn't end within the walls of the home, it is cultivated and sent out to build up other homes, families, churches, and communities so that they might be brought into the family of faith.

**SERMON IDEAS:**

- Call the men of the congregation to stand at the end of the service. Commission them with prayer from the families, friends, and elders who surround them. Send them with prayer into their homes so that they would begin a change for the community.
- Bring up your own, or a church congregants' family and have each member talk about the role they have within a kingdom family. This can act as a break from the normal and allow for friendly interaction between them and the pastor.
- Bring up the Elders of the church and have them stand alongside you in the front. Remind them of their duty not only as kingdom men but also as men responsible for the church family.

**INTRODUCTION:** The destiny as a kingdom man isn't just a calling to be different. Many people are different, act different, look different, I would call most music today "different." But a kingdom man is called to also make a difference. It's that

added responsibility to take the influence beyond the scope of your own home and into the world. Kingdom men go public.

Kingdom men don't run from responsibility as many men do in today's culture, rather kingdom men are ready to step up to the plate and be leaders in their churches and communities. No greater challenge exists today than to make a difference within our own backyards, so that we can impact our communities and country for Christ. Men who accept the destiny as kingdom men are desperately needed to answer the call in this nation and around the world.

**VIDEO OPTION:** "A Father and A Friend"; God uses spiritual fathers as well as friends in order to encourage and carry each other through life.



An ambassador for Christ is greater than a political position. Ambassadors see the world, explore treaties, trades, and spy agent type secrets, all while representing their leader in a foreign land. Scripture makes it clear in 2 Corinthians 5:20-21 that we are messengers bearing the power and authority of Christ's righteousness and not our own. We are given the keys to kingdom authority that we are to share with others, and through that we represent Christ to the world. It makes dealing with mowing the lawn, taking out the garbage, and running back and forth to the grocery store worth it if you get to see the keys open one more life for the glory of God in someone else's life.

**POINT #1:** A Kingdom Ambassador: Acts 1:8 – The kingdom ambassador goes from good to great when the kingdom message is used to bring others to Christ.

**POINT #2:** The Kingdom Church: 1 Timothy 3:1-7 – Grow in the faith with others, so that you to might raise up kingdom men and leaders to carry on after you.

**POINT #3:** Communities for the Kingdom: Psalm 128:5 – Pray for your community. Seek its welfare, and pray for opportunities to make a difference for the kingdom in your community.

**POINT #4:** Kingdom Legacy: 1 Chronicles 7:40 – Asher left a legacy of leaders within the kingdom and story of God. Pray for your own responsibility to mentor the next generation of kingdom men. We must represent God in our society by being surrogate fathers to people in need.