Apostolic Function

It's about function not title or status.

What is the role of an apostle?

How do they function?

- 1. Apostles build the kingdom, not the church (Matthew 16:18).
- 2. Apostle reveal the Father (John 8...the woman caught in adultery)...Don't do it again. Jesus addressed the deepest need of her heart by leading her to repentance. No man had ever protected her like that before. Again, the primary role of the apostle is to reveal the Father (Ephesians 3:14-21). In sum, they are crazy passionate about revealing the Father!
- 3. Apostles are not the Protestant Pope.
- 4. Apostles are first. Proton? Why? Fatherlessness is societies' greatest problem. But, they are also last (1 Corinthians 4:9).
- 5. Apostles move in signs and wonders (2 Corinthians 12:12). Examples (Hula Hoop Back Healed; Rainbow Image in Our Home; Limbo Back Healing etc.).
- 6. Apostles move in kingdom power (1 Corinthians 4:20).
- 7. Apostles release kingdom DNA, features and characteristics, by covering those around them with apostolic dust (anointing).
- 8. Apostles set the bar for the family of God.
- 9. Apostles pour into people to reveal what the Father has done for them (1 Corinthians 4:14-16).
- 10. Apostles stimulate all the other anointings (Romans 12:1-9).
- 11. Apostolic culture isn't kingdom culture until you see it flowing through the children (subsequent generations). There is a difference between an inheritance and legacy. When you receive an inheritance you receive property or money. Legacy leaves a sustaining culture that continues to impact others in tangible ways.
- 12. Apostles release a supernatural culture wherever they go. Apostles were naval officers in the Roman navy sent into regions to establish Roman culture so the emperor would want to visit those regions.
- 13. Apostles create change at a societal level (Acts 17:6).
- 14. Apostles bring the supernatural supply of heaven to society. This in turn builds tremendous trust with communities.
- 15. Apostles reproduce sons and daughters who carry the wealth of the kingdom wherever they go. They are focused on sending God's people out not seating God's people in.
- 16. Apostolic fathers remind the family of God of their true identity by encouraging them to return to their original design.
- 17. Apostles are Five Fold Officers. Apostles build; Prophets reveal; Evangelists gather; Pastors Nurture; Teachers explain (Ephesians 4:11-13).
- 18. Apostles destroy the works of the enemy.
- 19. Apostles conform the Church into the image of Christ in character (Galatians 5:22-23) and ministry (1 Corinthians 12:4-11).
- 20. Apostles call the church to maturity (Ephesians 4:11-16)

The Dreams of Kings

Proverbs 21:22 One sage entered a whole city of armed soldiers—their trusted defenses fell to pieces!

Proverbs 21:22 A wise man scales the city of the mighty and brings down the stronghold in which they trust.

Cities believe that God is controlling.

A Ridiculous Strategy

Pastors want to get everyone into the church. If we get some high powered people to come church then...

God does not want control, He wants covenant.

When people get ambitious they want control.

God doesn't want control but He is large and in charge.

He has hidden wisdom for us...Psalm 2:4

If we're going to change the culture of our city we must look past its' faults.

We have to influence up close not from far away.

Our courage comes on the other side of yes.

We must serve our communities.

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