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Series: "We Speak Jesus"

Sermon: "The Four Pillars"

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 3:10-15

Memory Verses: 2 Timothy 3:16–17

Introduction

A. Mission Statement: We exist to glorify God by making disciples through the gospel, in community, on mission.

B. Big Idea: We are to build on the one foundation of the church by proclaiming the authority of God's Word without apology, lifting high the name of Jesus in worship, believing firmly in the power of prayer, and sharing the good news of Jesus with boldness.

I. We Proclaim the Authority of God's Word without Apology (2 Timothy 3:16-4:2)

A. Why do you believe the Bible?

B. "The Bible is a reliable collection of historical documents written down by eyewitnesses during the lifetime of other eyewitnesses that record supernatural events that took place in fulfillment of specific prophecies and claimed that their writings are divine rather than human in origin" (Voddie Baucham).

C. As preaching goes, the church goes.

D. There is no institution on earth more powerful than the church of Jesus Christ.

E. We proclaim the authority of God's Word without apology.

II. We Lift High the Name of Jesus through Worship (John 4:23-24)

A. We are to have passionate affection for God and rock-solid doctrine about God.

B. Do you have passionate affection for God?

C. Do you love and believe rock-solid doctrine about God?

D. True theology brings light to the mind and heat to the heart.

E. We lift high the name of Jesus through worship.

III. We Believe Firmly in the Power of Prayer (Ephesians 6:18)

A. "No person can be a child of God without living in secret prayer; and no community of Christians can be in a healthy condition without unity in prayer" (Robert Murray McCheyne).

B. Prayer expresses devotion.

C. Prayer expresses dependence.

D. Prayer deepens our intimacy with God.

E. "Neglect of private prayer is the locust which devours the strength of the church" (Charles Spurgeon).

F. We believe firmly in the power of prayer.

IV. We Share the Good News of Jesus with Boldness (Ephesians 6:19-20)

- A. Boldness is not man made. It is God given.
- B. The Holy Spirit in you produces boldness.
- C. Question: What is our evangelism strategy???
- D. Answer: YOU ARE!!!
- E. What is evangelism? "Evangelism is teaching the gospel with the aim to persuade"
(J. Mack Stiles).
- F. The Gospel Definition
- G. We share the good news of Jesus with boldness.

Conclusion

- A. What are you building on the foundation of Jesus Christ?
- B. What spiritual discipline do you need to focus on?
- C. With whom will you be accountable to make sure you are pursuing spiritual growth?