

Doing Business with God Teamwork Makes the Dream Work

The Power of Partnership

Question: Do we want to make a difference?

“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in **unity!**
... For there the LORD commanded the blessing—life forever.” (Psalm 133: NIV)

- Partnership provides _____ and _____

¹¹ As long as Moses held up his hands, the Israelites were winning, but whenever he lowered his hands, the Amalekites were winning. ¹² When Moses' hands grew tired, they took a stone and put it under him and he sat on it. Aaron and Hur held his hands up—one on one side, one on the other—so that his hands remained steady till sunset. ¹³ So Joshua overcame the Amalekite army with the sword. (Exodus 17:11-13, NIV)

- Partnership increases _____

¹⁶ But Ruth replied, “Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. ¹⁷ Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the LORD deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me.”

¹⁸ When Naomi realized that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped urging her. (Ruth 1:16-18, NIV)

- Partnership _____

³¹ As long as the son of Jesse lives on this earth, neither you nor your kingdom will be established. Now send someone to bring him to me, for he must die!’ (1 Samuel 20:31, NIV)

- Partnership _____

¹⁷ Then I said to them, ‘You see the trouble we are in: Jerusalem lies in ruins, and its gates have been burned with fire. Come, let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem, and we will no longer be in disgrace.’ ¹⁸ I also told them about the gracious hand of my God on me and what the king had said to me. They replied, ‘Let us start rebuilding.’ So they began this good work.

(Nehemiah 2:17-18, NIV)

- Partnership _____

⁸ five of you will be able to defeat a hundred, and a hundred will be able to defeat ten thousand. (Leviticus 26:8, GNB)

- Partnership _____

²⁰ “I pray not only for them, but also for those who believe in me because of their message. ²¹ I pray that they may all be one. Father! May they be in us, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they be one, so that the world will believe that you sent me.” (John 17:20-21, GNB)

John Maxwell – how to lift and encourage people

- _____ in others *BEFORE* they *BELIEVE* in you
- _____ others *BEFORE* they *SERVE* you
- _____ to others *BEFORE* they *ADD VALUE* to you

My commitment - to build up and encourage people ... YES/NO?