

## REVIEW: THE BLUEPRINT

Hebrews 3:1-6 CSB

“Therefore, holy brothers and sisters, who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession. He was faithful to the one who appointed him, just as Moses was in all God’s household. For Jesus is considered worthy of more glory than Moses, just as the builder has more honor than the house. Now every house is built by someone, but the one who built everything is God. Moses was faithful as a servant in all God’s household, as a testimony to what would be said in the future. But Christ was faithful as a Son over his household. And we are that household if we hold on to our confidence and the hope in which we boast.”

1. REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST
2. RARE FAITH
3. REAL CONFIDENCE AND HOPE

## MSG: MASTER DESIGN

SCRIPTURE: Proverbs 24:3-4 ESV

SZN 3: RELEASE LIKE JESUS

Proverbs 24:3-4 ESV

“By wisdom a house is built, and by understanding it is established; by knowledge the rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant riches.”

INTRO: Analogy: House / tools

Let’s focus on what we are filling our rooms with? Why does the interior design of a home matter? For many, home decor speaks to your personality/ values- colors, plants, artwork, nostalgia—How your furniture’s configured? do chairs face sofas intended to spark conversation or are couches positioned around the tv as the intended entertainment?

Symbolically, what does the design of your spiritual house/temple glorify? How have you positioned the furnishings of love, grace, faithfulness and wisdom for others to enjoy?

**bulky furniture- take away..... or do you have a room of faith-believing God to add some things to your home-adoption, no baby but there is a crib/ space for faith.**

**Our design purpose is to glorify God- he is the Master Designer-his glory should be reflected in all that we do!**

**1 Corinthians 10:31-33**

**“So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God...that of many, that they may be saved.”**

**I want the furnishings of my temple to spark a desire for Christ. My desire is to magnify Jesus.**

Is it systematized and styled primarily to meet the need of sinner needing grace- or a supposed righteous one needing to prove himself/herself to always be right?

**Habbakuk 2:14 “For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.”**

#### **4. EXPECTATIONS**

**HOPE-elpis -to anticipate usually with pleasure, EXPECTATION**

**REAL HOPE CREATES AN EXPECTATION**

-This expectation satisfies you and supports others!

-It includes you but it goes beyond you!

-A one-sided expectation without agreement from both parties will have you in constant paranoia

When you came into faith God made an agreement or a covenant with you...and when you accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord, you said I agree to this covenant of following you-to learning and growing in you.

Many of us have expectations for people in our house and those expectations have not been communicated fully AND agreed upon by the other person. No one is being fully satisfied. EXAMPLE: David and the roof shingle choice 🙄

**Philippians 1:20 "It is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death."**

**James 1:5 (NIV)**

**"If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you."**

**Wisdom furnishes the imagination with the hope of what is possible with Christ.**

## **5. ENVIRONMENTS**

(There is said to be seven principles of interior design: balance, unity, rhythm, emphasis, contrast, scale and proportion, and details.

Speaking to balance alone- Proverbs 16:11 says " A just balance and scales are the Lord's; all the weights in the bag are his work."

Everything must belong to the Lord, He is and must be the standard by which we measure everything. )

Example: Design practices: meet w/a client, before I begin in their space I pray and ask the Holy Spirit to guide me for what's needed in this home/space...I light an incense and then I get to work- I flow.

These are my tools of peace that I use

\*\*-Tools of peace... reading "Peace is a Practice by Morgan Harper Nichols" one thing she mentions is that practicing peace is a way of living that we can carry out daily- maybe not all at once but how we access this serves as another tool.

Some of us don't realize that many of our frustrations and irritability is rooted in anxiety. Thanksgiving is in a few days and while many of you have set boundaries and expectations for your family in place- there are still some who struggle with being around certain individuals. Reasons may vary- some people spend most of their time serving here on thanksgiving day- not because they're physically displaced but because they're emotionally

estranged from their family. There are age-old family issues and grievances that have turned family traditions into family turf wars. The environment has become hostile.

One of my favorite verses has been Philippians 4:6-9

### **\*\*Philippians 4:6-9 ESV**

**“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication (or asking) with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers (sisters) whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.”**

\*\*I breathe through this verse- when anxious-cultivating a habit of breathing can drop your blood pressure by 10 or 15 points in a matter of minutes // high blood pressure which contributes to heart disease is the leading killer amongst African American women.... Peace is not saying you're fine. Peace is not pleasing everyone...peace is asking the God of peace to help me communicate to someone that I'm not okay and I need help. Again and again.

\*\* This is not self care- this is soul rest. This is God being glorified- Jesus being magnified in our lives.

Psalms 63:8 says “My soul clings to you; your right hand upholds me.”

## **6. ENCOUNTERS**

### **Ephesians 3:14-19 NIV**

**“For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord’s holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.”**

### **WHEN PEOPLE EXPERIENCE YOUR HOUSE, DO THEY ENCOUNTER GOD?**

Learning how to enjoy the day- one day at a time // peace is a practice, habits of rest