

The Building Blocks with the Creator

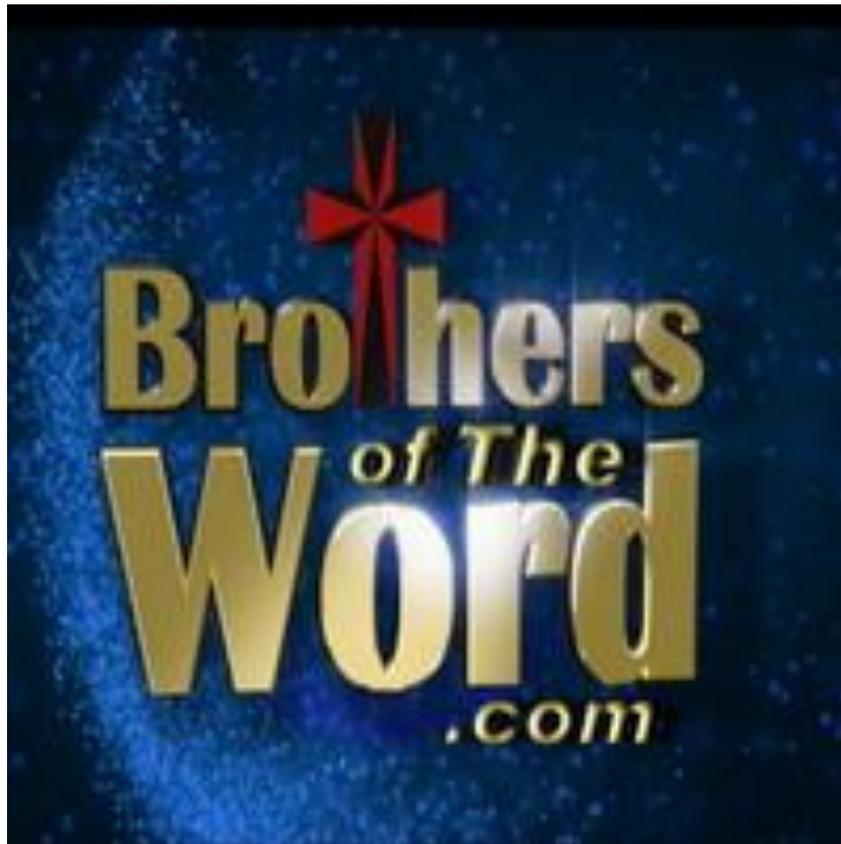
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And now for The Building Blocks with the Creator.

Jamie Bronner: So, the title of my message today is The Building Blocks with the Creator. Now, during my childhood, I don't know about you guys, but I used to love building up towers with blocks where there was just Legos or just a regular play block. I would love building up towers to see how high I can get it. And then whenever I would build something up so high, I would get so proud, get so much pride in what I built. I'm like, "Yeah, I built that." And then one of your friends is like, "Hey, can I come in and join you?" Like, "Yeah, come on in." So, you let them come and join on your building process and it's either them or some hard-headed little boy named Johnny that decides to knock your whole masterpiece down.

And when I tell you that sadness I would get whenever they would knock it down, I get so mad, so sad at them. But then, I would have to realize that it's possible again -- in my mind, I would be like, "Dang it. I can't ever get back to where I just was, but I have to realize that it was possible to get right back to what I just did." That two second encounterment, sometimes one second encounterment created so much anger within me and within all of us in everyday lives that caused us to not enjoy the process anymore. We started to focus on the bad. We started to focus on what went wrong instead of what we could have done better.

And in the end, it taught me that no matter how much work I put into something -- and mind you, when I said, "I", no matter how much work I put into something, the devil will always try to find a way to mess up whatever God has in store for you. He will always try to find a way to destroy anything that you put your pride into and not God. He will always find a way to mess up what you have put into.

So, this helped me understand that I cannot allow the devil's plan of destruction interrupt or distract me from God's plan of instruction on my life, and what he's told me to do that plan that he is told me to do. And life is like building blocks, whether it's we're building relationships with other friends, other family members, businesses, and the most important part is we're building a relationship with God. We're building these blocks to build our relationship with God. But the problem that I seemed to see is that a lot of us do not have a good base whenever it comes to building a relationship with God. And whenever you don't have a good base, that building will not last long. It will not be able to withhold anything that tries to come its way.

So the way that you actually have to start building that good base need to start praying and not just the little pray that you say that you are memorizing and you just pray, you need to sit down, you need to settle and what God has told you to do and whenever you ask God for something and you say he's not responding to you. Have you read his word? Have you read the Bible? Because I can promise you, if somebody in the Bible that has been through what you've been through and God has already given them a solution. So, he'll start to open up your eyes to see that answer in the Bible if you say God does not speak to you directly. But no, you're just not allowing him to speak to you directly.

And once you ask God for that thing, whatever you're asking God for, that question you want that answer to, that needs to be the only option that you get any answer from is from God, because the moment we start taking our own advice over God, that's the moment that flaws and destruction can come in and mess up God's plan. And in Matthew 7:24-27, it states, "Everyone who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wiseman who built his house on the rock and the rain fell and the floods came and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall because it had been founded on the rock. God never said we're not going to go through things in life. He never said that if you start praying and follow him that we're not going to go through things that things are not just going to pop up. But, I can guarantee you this whenever you are building your foundation on God's plan, anything that tries to come your way will not fall as it said because he built it on a rock, a strong foundation that nothing could destroy it, unless it was God. Nothing else could destroy God's creation.

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And then it continues to say and everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand and the rain fell and the floods came and the winds blew and beat against that house and it fell and great was the fall of it. So, as you see that you have to be wise in certain situations. Even though God has given us choice, we have to give that choice right back to him because if we don't, we will fall. We will be destroyed, along with the devil's destruction.

So, the most important part that people really don't focus on is the base in most buildings. We focus on looking at -- we look at the exterior, look at everything that's going on except for what actually happened at the base. And for some of you guys, you are wondering, "Okay, how do I get a good base for God? I've been doing everything that I think I possibly can. I've been coming to church every Sunday," being consistent with that, which is really good. But if you're only giving God one time out of the week to where you come and spend time with him, how is he going to start working in your life? God does not look for what looks good on the outside, but other people would consider you a Christian.

What is the stereotypic Christian thing to do is to come to church and then sometimes you may read your Bible, sometimes you may pray, but God does not care about what looks good for everyone else, he wants you and your heart. He sees your heart. So, if you're out doing things that you know you're not supposed to be doing, you cannot hide it from God and you come to church and then you expect -- everybody's just see the good things. No, God sees your heart and he just wants you and not what you're trying to show off to everyone else. He wants us to give Him our undivided trust and faith. When I say undivided, you can't have your trust and just regular science or the government. You can't put your trust in other things that are not guaranteed to get us to the place we want to get to. He wants to be number one in your life.

So, that means you need to start creating a real relationship with Him. Some of you guys look at God's relationship as a job. You think, "Okay, well, I have to do this to get certain benefits from God. So, I'm going to just do it because I have to," and you don't really want to do it. But with relationship, it's a two-party commitment. You both have to put into it. So, if God is the only

one trying to give to you and you're not receiving, God is not going to keep going. He's not going to keep trying to give in to you if you're not going to give in to him. So, he wants you to first off start being consistent with him in the time that you say you're going to spend with Him, the things that you say you're going to do these, "I'm going to read my Bible." I want you to -- even if you have to start off small, we're starting off with the base. If you have to start off every single day saying, "God" -- just to be consistent, say, "God, I'm going to give you one minute whenever I wake up and one minute as I go to sleep, but I'm not saying you need to stay there. That's a starting point. That's a starting point. That's not an end result. You need to continuously work your way up, so that you can build that building with God and continues to grow with him so he can continuously pour into you.

The more you spend time with my promise you, the more you will want to spend time with Him. It won't feel like a job that some of us have made it out to seem and some of us we start praying to God and we're like, "God, well, since you've done this, then I'll go ahead and pray. But the thing is, is that we start to expect things from God. We start to be like God. "Okay, well, since I did this, you need to be giving -- you start to expect to see different blessings and different miracles in your life. But God does not work like that. He told us that he's going to give us everything that we need that we don't ever have to worry and I can guarantee you that all of you have everything that you need. So, for you to continuously keep asking God for more, God is like, "I've given you everything that you need. You don't ever have to worry."

So, anything that you get more from God, that is not just right, that is a privilege from God. He's going to pour his love into you once he sees you are pouring back into him. And most of the time when everyone asking for stuff from God, it doesn't really glorify him, it glorifies ourselves. So, then he sees -- "Okay, well, you're only looking out for yourself. So, why would I continuously give you the things of your heart when you're not even in my desire? How am I going to see you grow with me if you're not even glorifying me?"

And then, another thing, some of us we say like, "Our lives are falling apart." Like, we have -- everybody is saying 2020 is just a year of destruction and problems. I've said that, but what we fail to realize is that even during our building process, it could literally be one break that's out of place and we let it ruin the

entire building. If something would have knocked it that we've allowed to come in and continue to be out of place, it can knock our entire masterpiece, and everything that we built up down. So, we have to be very cautious as to who we allow it to our lives and who we allowed to come in and cause destruction because mind you, we allowed them into our lives. They just don't come in, and the more time that you spend with the Creator, the more understanding you will start to understand.

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“Okay, this block is intended for this, so I had to go through this so I can add it to my build, so I can build off of this, so I can grow off of this. You start to realize what each block was intended for instead of seeing it as a destruction, instead of seeing it as a negative thing. And then most best things in life as you all know that most of the times do not last long. So, you try to rush and build things up, you're like, “Okay. I'm just going to slap it on there and keep building, building, building and you miss the whole point. You missed the most important part is that base. Even though God is that deciding factor on our plan, we are that deciding factor on if we're going to enjoy it or not, if we're going to complain, if we're going to pout, if we're going to say, “God, I'm hungry. I'm thirsty. I can't keep building out here in the hot sun,” instead of seeing the end result and seeing where you could get to.

And in Philippians 4:19, it states, “And my God will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Jesus Christ.” So, when you're in God's plan, when you're doing what he's asked you to do, he's going to supply every single last need of yours, and some of the stuff you might not even know you needed. It might have been considered a want. He's going to supply it to you because now he sees that you are relying on him. You're looking to his guide but you start obeying him and even though we call it the building blocks of life and it's supposed to be somewhat of a positive phrase, there's still something a little negative in that phrase that I see.

In building blocks, that word blocks, we've allowed certain blocks in our mind to keep us from God to keep us from developing certain relationships with people to keep us in the same spot that we're in right now. And those blocks can be people. They can be situations that we put ourselves in. We continuously allow these

blocks to have a negative impact on us. So instead of looking up to see where we can go, we look down and see how far we haven't done. We look down and see -- well, I've only completed this much and I have this much to go instead of seeing how much you have completed. And creating a real relationship with God will not only give you better satisfaction in life but it gives you better protection against any enemy that tries to come knock you down because there is no possible way you can knock down what God has built up.

And in Romans 8:28, it states, "And we know that for those who love God, all things work together for good, for those who are caught according to his purpose and when we look to God, we start to achieve his desires, desire to want his desires instead of our own. We stopped looking at what I can gain out of this and what I could get out of this, we start obtaining what he wants in our lives. So, we start seeing how he wants us to live our life and we have to stop seeing the exterior, how high we can build certain things and how fast we can get there and we have to start looking at the most important part, which is that base.

And you can't have in your mind, "Okay, God, I'm going to let you do this part and then I think I got this part over here. So, you good. I don't want to involve you to the small stuff." But once you do that, you only allow God and certain parts of your life. Then only certain parts are going to be correct. Only certain parts are going to be in his purpose because you've decided to take stuff into your own hand and say, "No, God, I got it. This is small stuff. You don't even need to worry about it." But God wants to worry about it. He wants to be there in your life through every single last thing that you go through and God is not going to sit there and keep begging you for him to come in and take control. He's given us the freedom of choice. So, we have Choose him and let him know. "Hey, God, I want your help. I need your guidance." Tell him that I need your guidance. I don't just want I need it and then you can come in and see him start delivering on the stuff that you asked him to do instead of you just trying to take things into your own hands.

And in Proverbs 3:5 and 6 it states trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understandings in all your ways acknowledge Him and He will make straight your paths to the moment that you allow another external force that is not of God, come in and start trying to tell you what is right and wrong.

That's when you let God know even if you don't verbally say it to God, you're letting God know. I don't trust your plan. I don't trust what you have for me. So, when you start following what other people are doing, you're letting Him know, I trust your plan. So, I'm going to do what you have going on both. The moment you stop doing what God has asked you to do, you let Him know. "I don't really trust what you got going on so I'm not going to follow it. So, the moment you stopped trusting God's plan, how can He trust you with blessings? How can He trust you with the good experiences that he wants to put you through. Even if it's subconscious and you're telling -- you're doing things that are against God, telling him I don't trust that what you've said is good for me.

You're letting Him know. Okay, you can withhold that blessing for me. Raise your hand if you want God to withhold blessings from you. That's what I thought. Yeah. So, a lot of you are letting Him know. "Okay, God, don't give me that blessing because I don't trust your plan," and God's plan is on different timing than ours. And like I said, the more time you spend with Him, the more you'll realize lies what his timing is on and how fast you need to go and how slow you need to go instead of trying to rush everything because if you start to rush stuff, you miss things.

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You miss the small details that can make the biggest impact on your journey with God, and lastly, the more you build your relationship, everything else including the blocks will start to build themselves and you don't even have to worry about it because God has it in control. It will start to build themselves as you go along with the process. So last thing I want to leave you with is focus on the base and God will do the rest.

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