Kingdom Citizen — Andre Bronkhorst AM

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1. Citizenship in the Kingdom of God

- Jesus taught about the kingdom of God.
- The kingdom is here and now.
- Receiving Christ means being transferred into a new kingdom.
- A believer still lives in this world but becomes a citizen of a different kingdom.
- Jesus explained to Nicodemus that a person must be born again into this kingdom.
- Two kingdoms function around us:
    - The kingdom of this world.
    - The kingdom of God.

2. Faith Is the Currency of the Kingdom

- Different nations require different currencies.
- The currency of this world is money.
- The currency of the kingdom of God is faith.
- In the kingdom of God, a thousand dollars and a million dollars are the same.
- Receiving depends on faith.
- Believers live by faith rather than sight.
- Faith remains part of the entire journey.
- Breakthroughs come, but there will always be something else to trust God for.
- “We don’t fake it, we faith it.”

3. Seek the Kingdom First

Matthew 6:33

> “But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness … and all these things shall be added unto you.”

- “First” establishes a priority.
- Other things can be pursued, but the kingdom belongs at the top of the list.
- “All” excludes nothing.
- “Added” means:
    - Given to.
    - Joined to.
    - Increase.

- Prioritizing the kingdom allows other things to fall into place.
- The world's order is to build a life, job, and family, then seek God with whatever time remains.
- The kingdom's order is to put God first.

4. Kingdom Living Means Community Involvement

2 Kings 4:13

> "You've gone to all this trouble for us. Now what can be done for you? Can we speak on your behalf to the king or the commander of the army?"
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> "I have a home among my people."

- A woman and her husband provided lodging for the prophet.
- The prophet offered to speak to the king or commander on her behalf.
- Her response reflected her connection to her people.
- Kingdom business, kingdom lifestyle, and kingdom church involve participation in the community.
- If a business closed, a church shut down, or a family moved away, would anyone notice?
- Involvement means investing in people and reaching the community.

5. Souls Are the Kingdom's Most Precious Possession

- The kingdom's most precious commodity is souls.
- Kingdom involvement means involvement in people's lives.
- That involvement extends beyond the church building.
- Two callings were described:
    - The business of ministry.
    - The ministry of business.
- The workplace becomes a platform for ministry and influence.
- Kingdom participation continues throughout the week.
- Everyone must participate in advancing the church.
- The illustration from Israel emphasized everyone reporting for duty.

6. Treasure Reveals the Heart

Matthew 6:21

> "For where your treasure is, there your heart will also be."

- Spending reveals where a person's treasure is.
- When the heart is in the kingdom, support follows.

- The church-building illustration from Switzerland emphasized buying for the future.
- Andre shared that America had a two-year window to advance.
- He encouraged churches to acquire property.
- The building-plan illustration contrasted:
    - A 5,000-seat building for the present.
    - A 15,000-seat building for the next generation.
- Future generations will benefit from what is being established at Faith Center.

7. Ask for Nations and Become a Faithful Steward

Psalm 2:8

> "Ask me and I will make the nations your inheritance and the ends of the earth your possession."

- God's invitation extends beyond asking for a salary or food.
- The challenge described was stewardship rather than a shortage of resources.
- God seeks people who can steward kingdom wealth.
- A "cash out" mentality sets a financial number at which a person plans to leave.
- That motive can delay blessing.
- The question presented was: Can God bless you and know that you will stay?
- Kingdom priorities must remain first regardless of prosperity.
- Mammon must not control a person's life.

8. Own Nothing; Steward Everything

- "You own nothing, but you are a steward of everything."
- Surrender includes life, wealth, and resources.
- God teaches people to steward what He places in their lives.
- A businessman supplied a gas card for ministry in his city.
- His support was specifically intended to advance the kingdom in that community.
- God positions and prospers people to use their lives for His glory.
- God needs generous people who can become channels.
- Questions presented:
    - Will you stay?
    - What does God need from you?
    - Why did He put you here?
    - Why do you work this job?
    - What is your responsibility where He has placed you?
- Accepting that responsibility makes a person a channel for blessing.

9. Closing Prayer

- Seek the kingdom first.
- Realign priorities.
- Move the kingdom to the top of the list.
- Trust God to add what is needed.

10. Personal Ministry

David and his wife

- God had not abandoned them through difficulties.
- Release from burdens, frustration, and striving.
- Receiving by grace rather than works.
- A changing season and a three-year process.
- Renewed joy and a lighter season.

Tammy

- Emotional and physical restoration.
- Completion of a season described as spiritual intensive care.
- Release from completed assignments toward certain people.
- New relationships for the coming season.
- Growth in prayer and spiritual sensitivity.
- Experiencing God's love, mercy, and rest.

John and his wife

- Honor for faithful service to the church and kingdom.
- Called to stay and remain effective.
- An anointing for business and helping others in business.
- Wisdom to counsel young couples and people starting businesses.
- Prayer for health and strength.

Gio

- A growing hunger for the Word.
- Future Bible study and establishment in Scripture.
- Creative ability and ideas.
- Healing from rejection and abuse.
- Encouragement to remain faithful in church and God's presence.
- Prayer against poverty, lack, and limitation.
- Prayer for provision and unpaid compensation.

Corey and his family

- Faithfulness in stewarding what they had.

- Excellence in caring for possessions.
- A coming financial breakthrough.
- Freedom from generational curses.
- A call to business ownership and leadership.
- Steps of faith toward their own vision.
- Prayer over their children.
- A ministry calling described for one child.

11. Responding to Prophetic Words

- Prophecy is received in part.
- Faith must respond to the word.
- Write the word down.
- War with the prophetic word.
- Guard against the enemy stealing the word.
- Move forward in faith.

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