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Spiritual Pyramid

In ancient times men built structures of stone which still stand in the deserts of the middle east, pinnacles for all to see. "The pyramids were not built in a day," actually they required the lifetime obligation of tens of thousands. Architecturally speaking, they are some of the sturdiest monuments ever erected, a stalwart of engineering. The Great Pyramid in Giza required 100,000 men more than 20 years to place the 2.3 million stones in the 45 story structure. The process is no doubt tedious, and though in the middle of a sea of sand, a rock foundation is hewed and put into place. Every stone is cut and made to fit perfectly upon the other. Archeologists claim that the individual stones were made to fit like a glove and some were covered with white polished limestone to give them a smooth finish. Each side perfectly faced North, South, East and West, and with the slightest of error the four sides would not line up for the triangle cap. They are without question one of the wonders of this world.

Spiritually speaking, I know another wonder of this world. No, not the fact that I am still allowed to preach here, I refer to The Church, the Spiritual Pyramid.. Founded on the day of Pentecost, it stands strong and true nearly 2000 years later. Many copies have been erected through time, and many have toppled because of "false engineering." Count the denominations today, most are built upon the proper foundation, but the construction efforts go awry from there. Consider the words of Paul.

"For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God which was given to me, like a wise master builder I laid a foundation, and another is building on it. But each man must be careful how he builds on it. For no man can lay a foundation other than the one which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any man builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each man's work will become evident; for the day will show it because it is to be revealed with fire, and the fire itself will test the quality of each man's work. 1 Cor 3:8-11

We are Gods building, Christ is the Chief Cornerstone and the apostles laid the foundation. HOW we build upon it is critical. We must make every effort to insure that our teachings line up with spiritual compass, The Bible. We must be able to rely upon each other for solid footing and a perfect fit. Teaching only the truth, there is never a need for polished limestone to conceal imperfections. God tests the spiritual stones, and the quality of YOUR work will be revealed.

On Wednesday evenings we have been enjoying a teaching rotation of several men for about a year now. I would like to say, "Thank You" to all the men who have participated over the course of this period. It is always a blessing to see men who are eager to study God's word and then share it with the body. Especially gratifying, are the ones who have never attempted teaching; they have all done a fine job. Watching each other grow in the Lord stimulates us all to work and prosper. The Spiritual Pyramid is working fine.

In Him, Byron