



CITY CHAPEL  
SCHOOL OF MINISTRY

## MINISTRY SCHOOL Lesson 11 The Ministry Blueprint

### INTRODUCTION

I was sleeping but awake, I was awake but sleeping. I kept hearing the Spirit say MINISTRY BLUEPRINT. The revelation was unveiled in my spirit and it became clearer what the Lord was saying and revealing.

We will examine this Biblical structure and strategy as presented in Scripture so that we are balanced and strong in the Will of God for His Church. YOU ARE A MINISTER. This definition should reverberate throughout the Body of Christ for EVERY Believer in these Last Days.

We have looked at the fact that the Bible calls every Believer a Minister of Reconciliation. We have also examined that biblically; all Christians are able to function prophetically and are called Priests and Kings. For the sake of easy remembrance, we have used the terms Prophet, Priest and Prince.

And have made <sup>us</sup> kings and priests to our God;  
And <sup>we</sup> shall reign on the earth.  
Revelation 5:10

<sup>11</sup> And He Himself gave some *to be* apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup> for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the <sup>edifying</sup> of the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup> till **we all come** to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; <sup>14</sup> that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with **every wind of doctrine**, by the **trickery of men**, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, <sup>15</sup> but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ— <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

Ephesians 4:11-16

The Priesthood of all Believers as very clearly outlined here by the Spirit through Paul's writings gives us the BLUEPRINT that will define the overcoming Church of Christ in the End Times. Let us now begin our study and digestion of God's perfect plan.



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## COMMUNITY VERSUS CONGREGATION

One of the legacies of the Constantine era on Christianity as a Religion was the Institutionalization of the Church. The 'culture' of Rome with its grandiose worship temples, along with their priests and their rites became the norm.

Therefore, the language changed over time from 'being the church' to "going to church". This contrast cannot be more striking when you examine how the average local or mega churches operate compared to the glimpses, we have of church life in scripture in Jerusalem.

<sup>44</sup> Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, <sup>45</sup> and <sup>Ⓜ</sup>sold their possessions and goods, and divided<sup>Ⓜ</sup> them among all, as anyone had need.

<sup>46</sup> So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, <sup>47</sup> praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added <sup>Ⓜ</sup>to the church daily those who were being saved.

Acts 2:44-47.

The Church Building and the central weekly services have created a dichotomy of worship where many Christians think the Sanctuary is central to their devotion and spiritual life. In Scripture and the Early Church, people's homes were an integral part of the Christian community and worship.

Many Churches and their programs as good and great as they are, can become counterproductive to the ultimate agenda of nurturing Believers to have personal relationships with God. The 'dependency syndrome' of contemporary Christians on packaged church projects, programs and products is a weakness of the modern church.

<sup>3</sup> For the time will come when people will not tolerate sound doctrine *and* accurate instruction [that challenges them with God's truth]; but *wanting* to have their ears tickled [with something pleasing], they will accumulate for themselves [many] teachers [one after another, chosen] to satisfy their own desires *and* to support the errors they hold, <sup>4</sup> and will turn their ears away from the truth and will wander off into myths *and* man-made fictions [and will accept the unacceptable].

2 Timothy 4:3-4



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## THE BIBLICAL 20/80 PRINCIPLE

Known by various names, including Pareto's Law, Pareto's Principle, The 80/20 Rule, and The Law of Disproportionate Distribution, the 80/20 Rule is a powerful and simple tool for analyzing and optimizing choices involving distribution of any kind.

By the numbers it means that 80 percent of your outcomes come from 20 percent of your inputs. The concept is especially useful in business and personal matters by causing us to focus on the 20% that really matters. This concept can be applied to:

You could argue broadly that Jesus applied this principle or that this law seemed to play itself out with Jesus' ministry. Some would argue that Jesus spent more time with His disciples than with the general crowd. The greater circle of Disciples around Jesus could be estimated at perhaps seventy?

After these things the Lord appointed <sup>[a]</sup>seventy others also, and sent them two by two before His face into every city and place where He Himself was about to go. <sup>2</sup> Then He said to them, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers *are* few; therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest  
Luke 10:1-2

<sup>13</sup> And He went up on the mountain and called to *Him* those He Himself wanted. And they came to Him. <sup>14</sup> Then He appointed twelve, <sup>[a]</sup>that they might be with Him and that He might send them out to preach, <sup>15</sup> and to have <sup>[a]</sup>power <sup>[a]</sup>to heal sicknesses and to cast out demons:  
Mark 3:13-15

Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves;  
Matthew 17:1

The life of Jesus provides a clear example of wisely applying the 80/20 Rule in his time and teaching. Jesus spent time daily with the crowds but spent focused time with the 12 disciples, and took Peter, James and John apart for even more intentional instruction and delegated responsibility.



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THE SLEEPING GIANT

It is generally agreed across board in the church today that 80% or more of Church ministry work is carried out by 20% of the work force of volunteers and paid staff. Which implies that 80% of Believers in the church today are REDUNDANT!

One way this can be remedied or corrected towards a more balanced or healthy state is to apply the truth we have been learning about Ministry to this challenging situation.

- Only 20% of church membership are called to Temple Ministry
- Over 80% of church members are called to THE WORLD not to Church
- Members should only apply 20% or less of their time, talents or tithes to church services
- Members should spend 80% of their time, talents or finances in the world sphere
- 80% of Church members are MINISTERS
- This large work force should be released and commissioned to Minister to the World
- 80% of Your Ministry time should be spent outside church services
- Most Christians are spending 80% of their ministry time in the church sphere which should only take up 20%
- If this redundant 80% of Christians can be commissioned and released, they could become the 20% of activists in the world that get 80% of the required work done.
- 80% of your MINISTRY sphere is in the world (roughly as a guide only)
- 20% of your Ministry placement is in the church (except for 5 fold ministries & paid staff)

This paradigm shift in the mentality and focus of the Church will truly transform our communities and the World literally. The Church will become more effective in Mission and the agenda of the Kingdom becomes clear to the World.

<sup>14</sup> "You are the light of [Christ to] the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; <sup>15</sup> nor does *anyone* light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. <sup>16</sup> Let your light shine before **men** in such a way that they may see your good deeds *and* moral excellence, and [recognize and honor and] glorify your Father who is in heaven.

Matthew 5:14-16

<sup>7</sup> And the message of God kept on growing *and* spreading, and the number of disciples continued to increase greatly in Jerusalem; and a large number of the priests were becoming obedient to the faith [accepting Jesus as Messiah and acknowledging Him as the Source of eternal salvation].

Acts 6:7