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ORIGINS: Unearthing Our Spiritual Roots

“WHO’S THE BOSS?”

Genesis 11:1-9

What are you living for? When all is said and done, what will be said about you? Many would describe their lives with the word **lunacy**—continually seeking to make a mark on the world but really wondering if they’re making a dent. Building castles in the sand, only to see one great wave or one unforeseen storm to bring it down. Solomon called this kind of life a *“chasing after the wind.”* You just never seem to get what you want.

There’s different way to live, and it’s called **legacy**. Let me suggest a radically different way to approach life. Instead of striving to fulfill your dreams, what if you sought God’s dream? Rather than asking Him to bless what you are doing, have you thought about joining Him in what He’s doing? God is unfolding an amazing plan in this world—a plan far bigger and more enduring than ours. Why don’t you get off the lunacy track and leave a legacy with your life!

>Whose _____ is Driving My Life?

- **The original mandate was primarily _____:**

“Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth...” (Gen 1:28)

“As for you, be fruitful and increase in number; multiply on the earth and increase upon it.” (Genesis 9:7)

- **The new mandate is primarily _____:**

“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations...”
(Matthew 28:19)

“Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation.” (Mark 16:15)

- **God continually pushes us to think & act _____.** He wants us to scatter to the ends of the earth to share the gospel of Jesus Christ. However, many forces seek to hold us back:

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

We will continually wrestle with the issue of “whose agenda” until we settle the bigger issue

>Whose _____ am I Seeking?

- **The glory _____ belongs to God.**

“I am the LORD; that is my name! I will not give my glory to another....” (Isaiah 42:8)

“Not to us, O LORD, not to us but to your name be the glory....” (Psalm 115:1)

“And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father.” (John 14:13)

- **Pride _____ in God’s presence.**
- **Our lives should _____, not ourselves.** (1 Peter 2:12)

Can we do that most effectively by following our agenda, or His?

Set aside some time to pray and write down the ways in which God is inviting you help point people to Him and bring glory to His name.