

## A Tool of God

Soon this present disturbance of our lives will be like a comma in a sentence that we just read. We will return to our duties, pleasures, and family life. For our church family, we will refocus back to the issue of the Great Commission & Great Command because those are our priorities. Our essence is Jesus in us. We worship the Holy Triune Family: Father, Son, and Spirit. We share a life called "The Fellowship." We share a cumulative mass of time, talents, treasures, & God's Truth. With those resources, all gifts from God, we make worship and we make disciples. And, we disciples, further the gospel in the world around us. We go outside ourselves and place to do what Jesus did because He said, "As the Father sent me so now I send you."

The project before us is the construction of a new facility that will become our new place of corporate worship and instruction. We will be tempted that it become an "end" rather than a "means" to worship & teach the Word. Man tends to worship what he creates because he loves what he sacrificially invests in. ("Your heart is where your treasure is.")

This message is a reminder that our facilities are God's tools for us to do worship, Word, and shared life as we make disciples. Let us resolve to this purpose, and prioritize the spending of God's gifts of time, talents, treasure, & Truth for that purpose. Let us not set our hearts on structures and "our stuff." They are tools of God that He is giving us as the Tabernacle was a tool for the community of God's people.

Let us be careful to worship the Creator rather than what we create. We must respect it because it belongs to God and is dedicated to a divine purpose. If it comes to fruition, if God wills, the new building will be very costly to each of us. Our treasure upon which we set our affections is the Eternal & His family. It is your heart that is God's house. The new building will be a tool for our heart's priorities. [~Rob]

## *Godly Parents Are Making Disciples*

