



An Army is Arising
Are You Living By The Code?
In His Mighty Grip Ministries

Recap

- Why don't we read the Code as much as we would like?
- How does the Bible protect you from the negative messages you are bombarded with?
- Who did we talk about last week?
- Why was Daniel a good leader?

Impact

- What is the difference between a cultural Christian and a true follower of Christ?
- A true rebel is passionate about the things God puts before them and will drag others along kicking and screaming.
- I WILL CHANGE THIS WORLD!!!!

Another Example of an Impact Christian

- King Josiah
- 2 Kings 22:1
- “ ¹ Josiah was **eight years old** when he became king, and he reigned in Jerusalem thirty-one years. His mother's name was Jedidah daughter of Adaiah; she was from Bozkath. ² He **did what was right in the eyes of the LORD** and walked in all the ways of his father David, not turning aside to the right or to the left. ”

Rebuilding the Temple

- At the age of 26, King Josiah begins to clean up and restore the temple. (Verses 3-7)
 - Structural renovations from neglect.
 - Morally also – It had become a home for male prostitutes.
- In the process, the Kings aides found a copy of the Book of Law. This is the bible at the time. It was their code!

Uh Oh!

- 2 Kings 22:11-13
- ¹¹ When the king heard the words of the Book of the Law, he tore his robes. ¹² He gave these orders to Hilkiyah the priest, Ahikam son of Shaphan, Acbor son of Micaiah, Shaphan the secretary and Asaiah the king's attendant: ¹³ "Go and inquire of the LORD for me and for the people and for all Judah about what is written in this book that has been found. **Great is the LORD's anger that burns against us because our fathers have not obeyed the words of this book; they have not acted in accordance with all that is written there concerning us.**"

Uh Oh X 2

- 2 Kings 22:16-17
- ¹⁶ 'This is what the LORD says: I am going to bring disaster on this place and its people, according to everything written in the book the king of Judah has read. ¹⁷ Because they have forsaken me and burned incense to other gods and provoked me to anger by all the idols their hands have made, my anger will burn against this place and will not be quenched.'

Whew!

- 2 Kings 22:19-20
- ¹⁹ Because your heart was responsive and you humbled yourself before the LORD when you heard what I have spoken against this place and its people, that they would become accursed and laid waste, and because you tore your robes and wept in my presence, I have heard you, declares the LORD. ²⁰ Therefore I will gather you to your fathers, and you will be buried in peace. Your eyes will not see all the disaster I am going to bring on this place.' "

The Change of a Nation

- 2 Kings 23:3
- ³ The king stood by the pillar and renewed the covenant in the presence of the LORD -to follow the LORD and keep his commands, regulations and decrees with all his heart and all his soul, thus confirming the words of the covenant written in this book. **Then all the people pledged themselves to the covenant.**

Discussion

- What stands out about the lives of Josiah, Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego?
- What lasting impression did they leave on the people of their day?
- Break into Groups and answer:
 - How are you impacting the people around you as you live the Code?
 - Why is it so important to be faithful to the mission?

Go Deep!

- 2 Peter 1:5-8
- ⁵For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; ⁶and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; ⁷and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love. ⁸For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

What?

- You would be offended if I asked you if you could tie your shoes? Or spell cat? Or figure out what $1+1$ is?
- So why are we so content on staying at the basics of Christianity?

De-Motivational Speaker

- You have 5 minutes to make one person in your team a de-motivational speaker about being apathetic in your faith.

Everyone Wants To Succeed

- Everyone wants to succeed in life.
- 2 Peter 1:5-8 is the key to success.
- You lay the foundation... then you build... then you build upon what you have built... Then you build upon what you have built.

Challenge

- Let's not be satisfied.
- Let's live by the code...
- Let's let others see we are living by the code...
- Facebook challenge!

Review

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Discussion

- Faith, Goodness, Knowledge, Self-control, Perseverance, Godliness, brotherly kindness, Love
- Which of these things are the hardest to develop?
- How can growth be measured as you mature in faith?
- Describe a day in the life of an effective and productive Christ-follower at your school.

Your World

- What do we read about in the newspapers or see on the news?
- 99% of the things we see and read are bad! Why?
- Part of the reason that things are so bad in this world is because we as Christians let them be. We let the world influence us.
- It is time to turn that around... let's shake the world. Let's influence the world. Let's make history!

Deuteronomy 27:1-8

- ¹ Moses and the elders of Israel commanded the people: "Keep all these commands that I give you today. ² When you have crossed the Jordan into the land the LORD your God is giving you, set up some large stones and coat them with plaster. ³ Write on them all the words of this law when you have crossed over to enter the land the LORD your God is giving you, a land flowing with milk and honey, just as the LORD, the God of your fathers, promised you

⁴ And when you have crossed the Jordan, set up these stones on Mount Ebal, as I command you today, and coat them with plaster. ⁵ Build there an altar to the LORD your God, an altar of stones. Do not use any iron tool upon them. ⁶ Build the altar of the LORD your God with fieldstones and offer burnt offerings on it to the LORD your God. ⁷ Sacrifice fellowship offerings there, eating them and rejoicing in the presence of the LORD your God. ⁸ And you shall write very clearly all the words of this law on these stones you have set up."

Deuteronomy 11:18-20

- ¹⁶ Be careful, or you will be enticed to turn away and worship other gods and bow down to them. ¹⁷ Then the LORD's anger will burn against you, and he will shut the heavens so that it will not rain and the ground will yield no produce, and you will soon perish from the good land the LORD is giving you. ¹⁸ Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ¹⁹ Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ²⁰ Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates,

Discussion

- What can you take away from these two passages to how they felt about the Code?
- How did your facebook challenge go?
- Why is it so important to establish a plan right now?
- What bible verses come to mind when you think of setting up a world around you to help you stay true? Write them down...

The Truth

- The truth of the matter is that this world needs changed!
- The truth of the matter is that it is going to take a Daniel or a King Josiah to stand up and start a rebellion against the conformity that is overwhelming your generation!
- Who wants to do that?
- That kind of change is going to require you to declare a few things over yourself!

Requirements

- I AM ROYALTY
- I HAVE A DESTINY!
- I HAVE BEEN SET FREE!
- I AM GOING TO SHAPE HISTORY!
- I AM GOING TO CHANGE THE WORLD!

The Anthem

I can hear the footsteps of my King
I can hear His heartbeat beckoning
In my darkness He has set me free
And now I hear the Spirit calling me

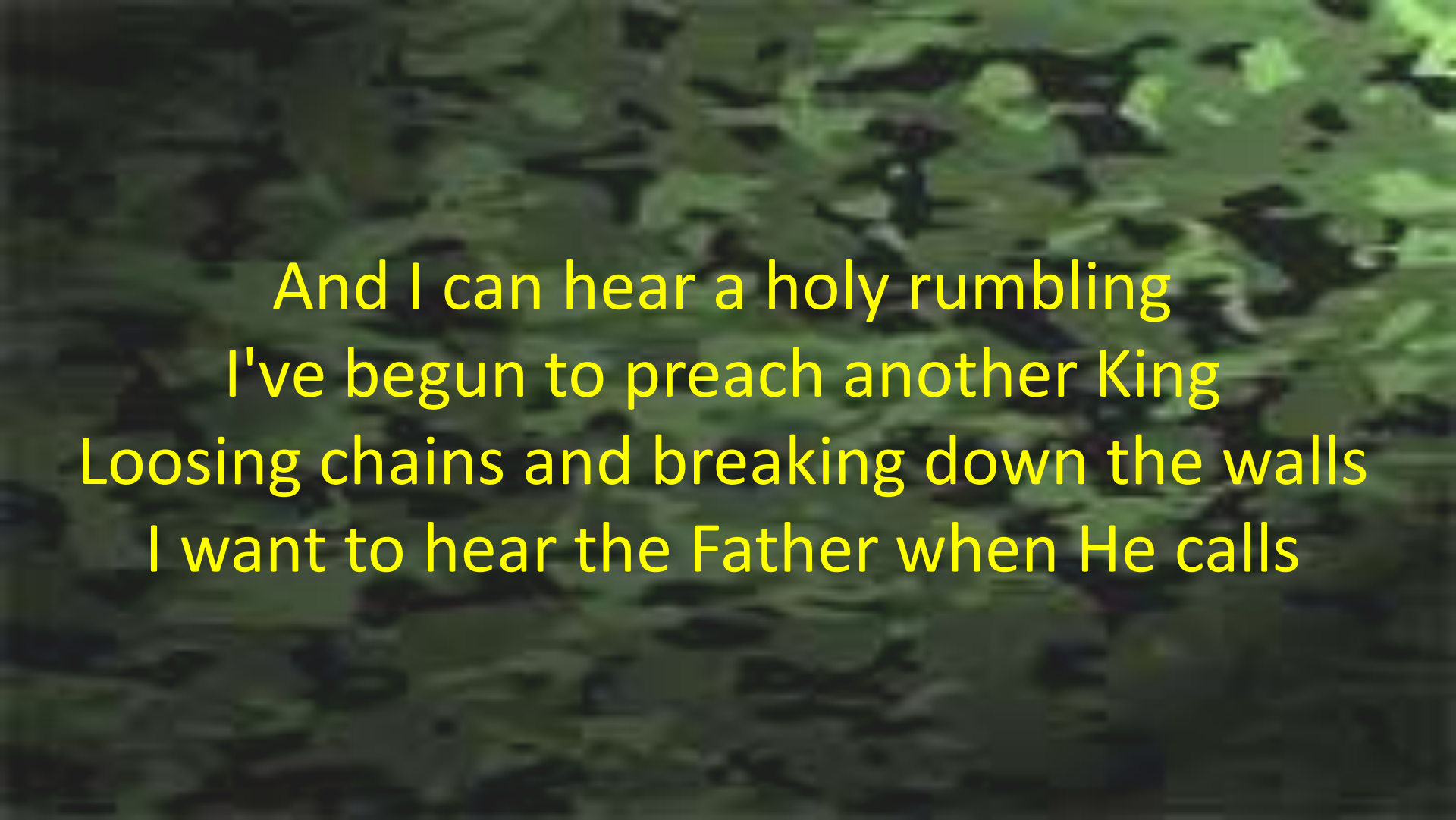
He's calling wake up child it's your turn to shine

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Such a time as this



And I can hear a holy rumbling
I've begun to preach another King
Loosing chains and breaking down the walls
I want to hear the Father when He calls

He's calling wake up child it's your turn to shine
You were born for such a time as this!

(x4)

Such a time as this

This is the anthem of our generation
Here we are God, shake our nation!
All we need is your love,
You captivate me!
(x4)

**I am royalty
I have destiny
I have been set free
I'm gonna shape history!**

(x8)

I'm gonna change the world!

(x7)