

# Except the Lord Build the House

Psalm 127:1

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## Read Psalm 127

- Two pictures are presented: building and battling.
  - Both are vain unless the Lord is the one accomplishing the work.
- Your Christian life will include building something that counts for God. Make a difference in your life (**Jude 1:22**).
  - When you do that, it will attract opposition and introduce new battles. (**Nehemiah 4:16-18**).
    - When you start building, prepare for battles. Make sure that what you're building is truly the work of God.
    - Building and battling go together. Building must always come first (**Lk 14:27-33**).
- God wants you to build your life according to His guidance and His direction (Prov 3:5-6).
  - If you try to direct your own life, it will amount to nothing.
  - God is not impressed with our attempts to build our own lives (**Isaiah 66:1, Acts 7:49-50**).
    - God is more interested in the humble person who lives their life according to His word (**Isaiah 66:2**).

## I. THE HOUSE IS OUR LIFE AND WORK

- A. **The Blueprint is the Word of God (2Timothy 3:16-17)**
- B. **The Foundation is Jesus Christ (1Corinthians 3:11)**
- C. **The Building is our Life and Works (Matthew 7:24-27)**

## II. GOD IS THE BUILDER (Hebrews 3:4; 11:10)

- A. **He Chooses the House to be Built (John 15:16)**
- B. **He Guides the Construction of the House (John 15:1-6) "Without me ye can do nothing."**
- C. **He Assures the Completion of the House (Philippians 1:6; Hebrews 12:2)**

## III. WE ARE THE LABORERS (1Corinthians 3:9-10)

- A. **We Must Seek the Will of the Builder (Acts 9:6) "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"**
- B. **We Must Obey the Instructions of the Builder (Psalms 143:10; Proverbs 3:5-6)**
- C. **We Must Trust the Wisdom of the Builder (1Thessalonians 5:24) "Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it."**

*Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you  
will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:*

Philippians 1:6