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The Word of God and the presence of the Lord. **Psalm 46: 6-7** The heathern raged, the kingdoms were moved: He (God) uttered His voice, the earth melted. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. **Psalm 97: 5** The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth. The Church must return back to the Word of God and the presence of the Lord (the Holy spirit) if she is going to effect this generation for God. From the very start when the Church was born in the book of Acts, the work of ministry tried to push out the Word of God and prayer (which brings the presence of God). **Acts 6: 1-7** tells us the disciples had to find those to serve tables and to do the work of ministry in the Church. If we are not careful, the music ministry, children's ministry, youth ministry, outreaches and all the programs in the Church will push out the Word of God and His presence. We can get so busy

doing outer court ministry that we never enter into the Holy of Holies. It's not a new program, improved counselors, wiser financial advisors or even a better or more talented worship band that we need in the Church, but to return back to the Word of God and His presence, this will heal every need in the house of God. If you take a walk down a busy beach you will see kids building sand castles, others digging holes in the sand, trash lying around, foot prints everywhere, people walking their dogs all of this going on and leaving the beach a mess. But, when the tide comes in all will be washed away and everything will be clean as if no one had ever been there. It's the same way in the Church or a Christian's life. You can try all the programs to get your life straighten out. The Church can have something going on every hour around the clock for the people but what they (we) need is for the presence of the Lord Jesus to flow into every area of their (our) lives and all will be made new. In

the book of **Genesis** before there was a bird to sing or a tree with leaves to whistle when the wind blows to make music there was the Word of God and the Spirit of God (the presence of the Lord). We put way to much emphasis on all the programs in the Church just to keep people coming for the most part. With all the activity we, the Church, have produced a generation of ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder) Christian's, spiritually. Just tell some of these saints that for the next 30 days we will just have the Word of God and prayer (which brings the presence of God) in the Church and they will go crazy and leave because they are always having to be doing something to keep them occupied. Ask some of them to go home after work and after taking care of those things at home; finish the night off alone with the Bible and prayer and just wait in

Pastor Kenny Continues.....

His presence and maybe even with a hot cup of tea and many of them can't do it. They have to be busy doing something. I can tell you it has only been in the quiet times of my life that I could hear the Lord clearly to know His will for me, my family and ministry. You may ask, are you saying that we should stop all the programs of the Church and activity in our Christian life? My answer would humbly be, if the Word of God and His presence are not there, then it is all a waste of time anyway. I believe that if we, the Church, would come back to the Word of God and wait on His presence, the Church, which is you and I, would be and could do what Christ said we would and could.

Psalm 16: 11 Thou wilt shew me the path of life; in thy presence is fullness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasure for evermore. Thank you for your prayers and financial support of this Christian Radio Station. Our prayer for you, your family and Church is that the Lord's presence would be so near that you can hear Him whisper.

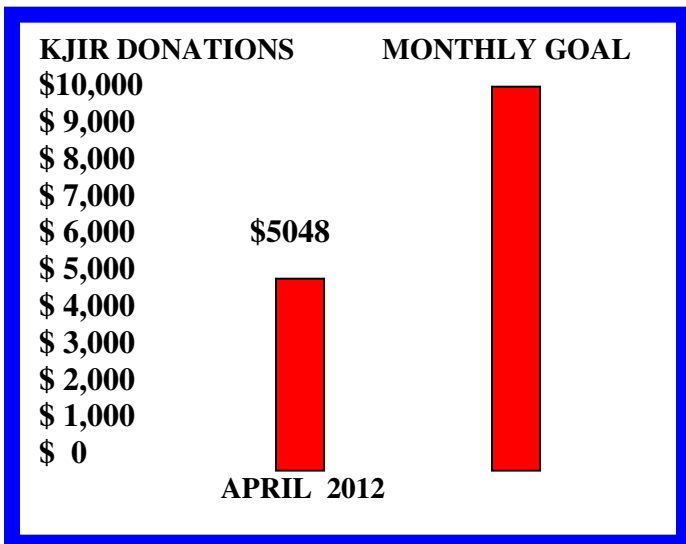
In Christ,
Pastor Ken Geisendorfer

Worldliness is not the trap that most endangers us as Christian workers; nor is it sin. The trap we fall into is extravagantly desiring spiritual success; that is, success measured by, and patterned after, the form set by this religious age in which we now live. Never seek after anything other than the approval of God, and always be willing to go "outside the camp, bearing His reproach" ([Hebrews 13:13](#)). In [Luke 10:20](#) , Jesus told the disciples not to rejoice in successful service, and yet this seems to be the one thing in which most of us do rejoice. We have a commercialized view— we count how many souls have been saved and sanctified, we thank God, and then we think everything is all right. Yet our work only begins where God's grace has laid the foundation. Our work is not to save souls, but to disciple them. Salvation and sanctification are the work of God's sovereign grace, and our work as His disciples is to disciple others' lives until they are totally yielded to God. One life totally devoted to God is of more value to Him than one hundred lives which have been simply awakened by His Spirit. As workers for God, we must reproduce our own kind spiritually, and those lives will be God's testimony to us as His workers. God brings us up to a standard of life through His grace, and we are responsible for reproducing that same standard in others.

Oswald Chambers

Think On These Things...

Never ignore or deny the divine place and order of the local church. The Lighthouse has a designated place and purpose. With the mega ministries and prominent religious personalities, it can distract from that which was and should be at the hub or base of it all...the local church. Who will be there when you arrive at some valley of need?... Your Pastor, Your Church.



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