

Volume 3 The Prophetic Books Isaiah 61:4

"And they shall build the old wasted places, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the wasted cities, the desolations of many generations." Isaiah 61:4

It may appear overwhelming, but let's take one thing at a time! Always begin by examining the foundations. Clear away the debris. Fortify what remains. Lay fresh stones to support the building that will soon follow.

How many lives have been ruined because their foundation was built upon questionable truths? ...built upon the sand. "And everyone that hears these sayings of Mine, and doesn't do them, shall be likened to a foolish man, who built his house upon the sand. And the rain descended, and the floods came, and winds blew and beat upon the house, and it fell; and great was the fall of it." (Matthew 7:26 – 27).

Philosophies come and go. Even in the Church it is easy to find faddish and humanistic ideas on any number of topics; from child training to marriage enhancement; from church growth to discipleship; from prayer to politics. Above all things; above the hype, beyond the fads, through the glittering testimonies – stay with the Lord! "But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ." (2 Corinthians 11:3).

To rebuild the old wasted places of our lives, we must be brave enough to go against the flow of public opinion and familial influence – allowing Christ to be all in all.

"The Word of the Lord endures forever!" (1 Peter 1:25).

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