

6-Day Devotional

Kingdom Focus: From Attendance to Alignment

April 12, 2026 — Based on Teaching from Dr. Archie & Pastor Brian Goines

Day 1 — From Believing in the Kingdom to Functioning in It

Required Reading: Colossians 1:18; Colossians 1:13

Devotional Thought:

Dr. Archie clarified that Kingdom Focus is not a new vision, but a clearer execution of God's will. The shift is from simply believing in the Kingdom to actually functioning in alignment with it.

Many believers intellectually agree with God's Kingdom but practically live according to personal desires, needs, and preferences. The Kingdom is not something we invite God into. It is something we align ourselves under.

Christ is not the head of individuals operating independently. He is the head of the body. That means alignment is not optional, it is essential.

Kingdom living begins when we stop asking God to follow us and start submitting ourselves to His established order.

Personal Reflection Questions:

1. Do I live as if God is following my plans or if I am following His?
 2. What areas of my life are out of alignment with God's order?
 3. Do I function more independently or as part of the body?
 4. What would full alignment with Christ look like in my daily life?
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Day 2 — The Kingdom Requires Structure and Order

Required Reading: 1 Corinthians 14:40; Ephesians 4:11–12

Devotional Thought:

One of the strongest points emphasized is that God's Kingdom operates with structure, clarity, and accountability.

Dr. Archie explained that leadership must be clearly defined, responsibilities must be assigned, and ministry must be organized and accountable.

Many churches function like “street ball,” where everyone does what they want, based on preference and applause. But the Kingdom operates like organized play, where the Coach determines the strategy.

Titles are not identity. Titles are responsibility. If the responsibility is not being fulfilled, the title has no meaning.

God’s order is not restrictive. It is functional. Without structure, there is confusion. Without accountability, there is stagnation.

Personal Reflection Questions:

1. Do I understand my responsibility within the kingdom?
 2. Am I carrying responsibility or just holding a title?
 3. Where have I operated outside of structure and accountability?
 4. How can I better align with God’s order in my life?
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Day 3 — The Kingdom Advances Through Participation, Not Spectatorship

Required Reading: 1 Peter 4:10; James 1:22

Devotional Thought:

God does not build His Kingdom through spectators. He builds it through participants.

Dr. Archie made it clear that gifts are not given for personal benefit, but for service to others and advancement of the Kingdom.

A spectator watches. A participant contributes.

Many believers attend church faithfully but never engage meaningfully. Watching the game does not make you a player. Listening to sermons does not make you a contributor.

Every believer has been given something to offer. When those gifts are not used, the picture of the Kingdom is incomplete.

Personal Reflection Questions:

1. Am I actively participating or just attending?
 2. What grace has God given me that I am not applying to the kingdom?
 3. How is the kingdom benefiting from my obedience?
 4. What is one way I can become kingdom-qualified this week?
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Day 4 — You Are a Piece of the Kingdom Puzzle

Required Reading: Ephesians 4:16; Romans 12:4–5

Devotional Thought:

The Kingdom is a complete picture made up of individual parts. Dr. Archie described believers as puzzle pieces.

If each piece operates independently, the image is never revealed.

The problem in today's culture is that many have chosen other "kingdoms" to align with. Personal identity, political identity, social identity have replaced Kingdom identity.

When the body does not come together, the world cannot see the picture of God's Kingdom.

Your role is not insignificant. Your absence affects the whole.

Personal Reflection Questions:

1. Do I see myself as part of a greater Kingdom picture?
 2. Where am I disconnected from the body?
 3. What "other kingdoms" compete for my loyalty?
 4. How can I be better equipped to contribute to the kingdom?
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Day 5 — The Church Equips, The Kingdom Expands

Required Reading: Ephesians 2:19; Matthew 28:19–20

Devotional Thought:

Dr. Archie emphasized a critical distinction:

You did not just join a church, you joined a Kingdom.

The church is the equipping center. The Kingdom is the assignment.

When people see church as a place to receive rather than a place to be equipped, they become consumers instead of contributors.

The Kingdom expands when equipped believers go out and apply what they have learned.

Church is not the destination. It is the training ground.

Personal Reflection Questions:

1. Do I approach church as a consumer or as a trainee?
 2. What have I learned that I am not applying?
 3. How is my life impacting the Kingdom as a result of church attendance?
 4. What step can I take to move from receiving to applying?
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Day 6 — Discipleship Is Life-on-Life, Not Just Information

Required Reading: 2 Timothy 2:2; Hebrews 10:24–25

Devotional Thought:

Pastor Goines highlighted that discipleship is not simply curriculum. It is life-on-life investment.

Information alone does not produce transformation. Relationship does.

Discipleship involves walking with others, growing together, and helping move people from one level of maturity to another.

The Kingdom is relational. Growth happens through connection, accountability, and shared experience.

True discipleship is not measured by what you know, but by who you are becoming and who you are helping grow.

Personal Reflection Questions:

1. Who is pouring into my spiritual growth?
2. Who am I helping grow in their faith?
3. Am I pursuing information or transformation?
4. What step can I take to engage in true discipleship?

Closing Prayer Focus:

Lord, align my life with Your Kingdom. Help me move from passive belief to active participation. Teach me to serve, grow, and contribute in a way that reflects Your order and purpose. In Jesus' name, Amen.