

## Sermon Series: Team Red- Go Green; Growing Healthy Families

I'm Ready When You're Ready Jeremiah 29:11-14; Prov. 16:3

If you've come to know Jesus Christ your sins are covered by the blood of the Lamb, you're on the Red Team. But your life now is about green; growing in your relationship with God. the most important thing in the world is knowing Jesus Christ, the second most important thing is knowing why He made you. People are desperate to know what their purpose is, why are they here? There are many people who don't know what their purpose is now that their children are grown, and their spouse is gone. They need to know that they are valuable. We all need to know God's divine call on our lives. the number one hindrance to hearing from God has to do with your **Concept** of Him- Jeremiah 29:11. He has plans for you and your future. He has not abandoned you. What is our concept of God? It is the most important opinion we can have because it will make or break us. It will move us forward or hold us back. It is the devils full time job to distort our concept of God. What is our concept of God's viewpoint on our life right now? If we believe that God is loving then we will hear from Him. If we believe that He is dictatorial or overbearing then we will not. God is heard in the concept of His love because He is love. The most amazing thing about God is that He knows each of us. He knows all 6 billion people on planet earth. The sad thing is they don't all know Him. The enemy would like us to feel **Condemnation**- Gen. 2:25. He is a "hurt whisperer". He is the accuser of the brethren. He will try to get you to doubt and deny what God says. Satan comes to church too and will counter the truths of God. Satan wants to distort our viewpoint of God, others and ourselves. Who's voice are we going to listen to? Satan will open the door to sin to convince you that God is finished with you. Sin brings shame. God's thoughts of peace for us outnumber the sands on the shores. Satan has only thoughts of destruction. We try to tell God what He thinks concerning us Don't do that! Is. 55:8-9. Let God tell you His thoughts and plans. Regardless of our circumstances, and regardless of what the devil whispers, God has a future and a hope for us. We must begin with a right concept of God. He doesn't discard anyone. Jesus came to buy back what sin had stolen. His plan is redemption. He does not reject, He redeems Ps. 139:13-18. We mustn't make **Comparisons** between us and others. God created each of us differently and according to His plan. If we want to be healthy in our families, marriages, relationships we need to stop comparing them to some one else's. It will affect our communion with God. He has a **Calling** on your life and it is binding-Rom. 11:29. Every person, from the moment of conception, has a calling from God on their life that will bring Him glory. Not everyone is living according to that calling. What seems like a wrong turn in our lives will be worked out for good only if we are loving God and living in our calling Rom. 8:28. when we mess up, God loves us enough to redirect our lives if we allow Him.

We need to **Commit** our ways to God Prov. 16:3. We are prone to wander because we are NOT committed, it is easy for the enemy to tempt us. We need to get serious with God. whatever detour we have taken God promises to bring us back to the right place if we will only turn to Him. He is ready when we are ready. Where are you in your relationship with God? When we're ready to get serious He's ready to establish us. If we will get founded on God's plans for us we will flourish.