



As we live for the Lord, are we an architect, designing blueprints; or, a builder following the blueprints provided us? The life we build, as a servant of the Lord is worth doing in the best way; which is the Lord's way. We need a reliable pattern. It must be "The Pattern From the Lord."

I. Divine Patterns From the Lord in His Word

We must not be making the pattern up for ourselves (like Pharisees).

A) See the connections to the idea of a pattern in the book of Hebrews:

- God spoke by the prophets, Now by His _____ (Hebrews 1:1-3)
- _____ Is the Connection to these Examples (Hebrews 11:1-6)
- _____ of heavenly things (Hebrews 8:5)
- New Will and Testament (Covenant) (Hebrews 9:15-17)
- _____ (Hebrews 9:23)
- Requires Obedience, Not Rebellion (Hebrews 4:11-13)

B) Patterns Illustrated in the Old Testament

1. Creation (Illustrative ideals of energy, space, time, biology, anatomy)
2. _____ followed a pattern to build the ark (Genesis 6:22)
3. Moses followed a pattern to build the tabernacle (Exodus 25:8-9, 40:26:30; 27:8; Hebrews 8:5; Exo. 40:16; Acts 7:41, 44)
4. Nadab & Abihu (Leviticus 10:1-2)
5. King _____ (1 Samuel 15:3, 8, 22)
6. _____ (1 Kings 12:28-33)
7. Solomon followed a pattern for the temple (1 Chron. 28:10-12, 19-20; 29:1)

II. Patterns From the Lord Must...

- Be _____ (Colossians 3:17)
- Call us to the _____ (Acts 17:10-11). Truth revealed (John 16:13)
- Honor Jesus, NOT _____ (Ephesians 5:22-24)
- Be unchangeable plans. All blessings in all ages are conditioned on faithfully following God's plans. Men have attempted to change them (Deuteronomy 4:2; 12:32; Joshua 1:7; Rev. 22:18-19; Galatians 1:8)

III. Patterns From the Lord for Us Today

- Patterns in the new covenant for us (Hebrews 9:15-17)
 1. _____ (mold, pattern) or doctrine saves sinners (Rom. 6:16-18)
 2. Pattern of _____ we must "hold fast" (2 Tim. 1:13)
 3. Pattern of _____ to follow (Philippians 3:17; Titus 2:7-8)
 4. Christ and the church (Matthew 28:18)
 - We are building on the foundation, just like Paul (1 Cor. 3:10-14)
 - Pattern for organization and work of the church
 5. Pattern for salvation (Acts 4:12; Colossians 3:17; 2 Timothy 1:13; Acts 8:38; Romans 6:3-4)
 6. Pattern for my life as a Christian

"For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God. Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope." (Hebrews 3:4-6)

"Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain." (Psalms 127:1)

"And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." (Colossians 3:17)

The Lord's pattern of discipleship calls on us to follow Jesus in His steps, according to His direction, and by the obvious instruction from His apostles in His word (the Bible). Let's look at the pattern and build from those plans.