Constructive Christians

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[0:00] Some thoughts about being a constructive Christian.! Here we read about God's blueprint, His building program,! The building of the building of Christ.

! We see number one, the builder. The builder is God. It says, ye are God's building. In Matthew 16 verse 18 it reads how the Lord Jesus says, I will build my church.
We also take an active part in the construction process as laborers together with God. Verse 10 it says, take heed how you build.
He is the builder. Secondly we see the basis for the building, the reason, the purpose for this building and the base there, the foundation of it. It says in verse 11, for other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.
The foundation is fundamental. In Luke 6 verse 48 it tells how they dug deep and laid a foundation on a rock. Imagine a house without a foundation.
[1:09] If the foundation is wrong, it's hopeless, isn't it? Ephesians 2 we read about Christ Himself being that chief cornerstone.

In verse 20 of Ephesians 2 it says, in whom ye are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit. You as God's people corporately are God's dwelling place.
The church is a holy place set apart for His glory and purpose. It reads of His building of this church in Ephesians 3 verse 17 of that building process.
It says that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith. Hebrews 6 tells of the foundation of repentance from dead works and faith towards God.
We also see the building. Verse 9 says, ye are God's building. It says even your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost in 1 Corinthians 6 verse 19.
[2:08] So in a wonderful way, people are the bricks, the living stones, as it reads in 1 Peter 2 verse 5. Ye also as lively stones are built up a spiritual house. We are the very bricks cemented together.

We are under construction. In other words, God hasn't finished with us yet. We are an unfinished building. So I would urge you as God's people, be a constructive Christian.
Be part of the construction process. In 1 Corinthians 14 verse 26 it says, let all things be done unto edifying. We read about faith, about prayer, the Holy Spirit.
In Jude 1 verse 20 it tells of building up yourselves on, or in other words by means of, your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost. We read about love, that love is part of that building process.
In 1 Corinthians 8 verse 1 it says, knowledge puffeth up. In other words, it makes you prideful. But charity edifieth. Charity or love, it builds up. So love is constructive.
[3:16] Love builds up. In Ephesians 4 verse 16 it talks about the building of the body of itself in love. Ephesians 4 verse 16 talks about the edifying of itself in love.

Acts 20 verse 32 talks about the word, the word of his grace. It's able to build you up. So we see the love, the word, faith in Christ, repentance.
There may be times when demolition is required too in the building process. Of course in 2 Corinthians 10 verse 4 it talks about pulling down of strongholds. Are you a constructive or a destructive Christian?
Do you edify, build up or do you destroy? Be a constructive Christian. Do you need anyikkikkikkikki
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