



INTRODUCTION

Gordon Heath takes us through the lens of history as he examines what it means to be builders. Referencing Nehemiah and the re-building of the broken walls of Jerusalem, he examines the practical and spiritual implications of what a structure invokes. Expounding on the example of Martha and Zella Clark, Gordon recounts the journey of these sisters from their traditional beginnings in evangelism to laying the foundations for the building of a medical facility that still stands today. With the important work of Dr. R. Ben Gullison, this building serves as a spiritual light through the restoration of physical sight to the blind.

EXCERPT

The hospital weathered the storms, and today it remains as a vital legacy to the work of faithful men and women from Canada and India who not only prayed about the needs of the suffering but also worked to see that something was done about it. In that regard, they were builders. And, as a result, thousands of people today not only receive physical sight, but also get a very tangible witness that testifies to the love of the Son, the One who can also give spiritual sight.

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Is prayer enough when facing human suffering?
2. What ways do structures and organizations help Christian witness in the Western world? And in the Global South?
3. Does a building project need to be overtly Christian in order to be a worthy project, or considered a ministry? In other words, what is “Christian witness” as it relates to building projects?
4. Should Christians partner with government in building projects? Why or why not?
5. What is God asking you to consider to “pray and work” for?



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