

# **GROWING STRONGER**

## **Part 1: A Strong Foundation**

### **STRONG FOUNDATIONS**

- Vital in all areas of life
  1. Buildings
  2. Teams / organizations
  3. Relationships
- Vital for our lives
  1. So many things are way too shaky
  2. Building a foundation on God (***Matthew 6:33 NKJ***)

### **A MAN WHO BUILT A STRONG FOUNDATION** (***2 Chronicles 17:3-6,12 NKJ***)

- Judah was surrounded by idol worshipping nations
  1. Pretty much on a cultural island
- Jehoshaphat sought God, not culture
  1. A heart for God to please and serve Him
  2. He walked in God's ways
- God established Jehoshaphat
  1. Made his kingdom strong
  2. Gave him riches and honor - but it never said Jehoshaphat sought those things
  3. Made him powerful

### **YOUR STRONG FOUNDATION**

- Seek God, not culture (***1 John 2:15-17 NKJ***)
  1. The world we live in and it's culture is temporary
  2. We pursue God and His kingdom first
- Develop a heart for the Lord and His ways (***Luke 6:46-49 NKJ***)
  1. Come to Him - a personal relationship
  2. Putting His words and ways into practice
  3. There is a promise attached - a strong foundation able to withstand storms of life
- God is still in the blessing and increasing business
  1. What He did for Jehoshaphat and his kingdom He can do for you and your kingdom
  2. Give God something He can bless