

THE BEGINNING OF A MIRACLE!

The first sermon shared at the first service that began Saddleback Church
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“This is God’s Word: ‘You will succeed, NOT on your own strength or power, but by my Spirit,’ says the Lord. ‘Nothing, not even a mountain will stand in your way ... Zerubbabel is laying the FOUNDATION of this temple and he WILL complete it ... So DO NOT DESPISE THESE SMALL BEGINNINGS, for the eyes of the Lord rejoice to see this work begin.’”
Zechariah 4:6–10

“Under Christ’s control, His whole Body is nourished and held together, and it grows as God WANTS it to GROW!”
Colossians 2:19

“You bring glory to my Father, and you show you’re my disciples by bearing MUCH fruit ... I chose you and I’ve called you to bear fruit — fruit that will last!”
John 15:8,16

5 REASONS THIS CHURCH IS GUARANTEED TO SUCCEED

1. _____ GOD’S WORD WILL BE OUR FOUNDATION.

“God says ‘My Word comes out of my mouth and it will NOT FAIL to do what I intend for it to do! It will accomplish everything I desire and it will succeed in the purpose for which I sent it.’”
Isaiah 55:11

“Don’t deceive yourselves by just listening to the Word. DO what it says! ... If you keep looking steadily into God’s Word that sets you free and if you DO what it says and you don’t forget what you heard, then God will bless you in ALL you do!”
James 1:25

“Think about this Book day and night so that you learn to DO everything written in it. THEN you’ll prosper and succeed in whatever you do.”
Joshua 1:8

“Now that you know these things, you will be blessed IF you DO them!”
John 13:17

2. _____ GOD’S PURPOSES WILL BE OUR PLAN.

“Many are the plans in a man’s heart, but it is the Lord’s purposes that prevail.”
Proverbs 19:21

“David served God’s purpose in his generation.”
Acts 13:36

Our Motto: “A GREAT COMMITMENT TO THE GREAT COMMANDMENT AND THE GREAT COMMISSION WILL GROW A GREAT CHURCH!”

3. _____ GOD’S PROMISES WILL BE OUR CONFIDENCE.

“I tell you the truth: Anyone who trusts in me will be able to do even greater works than what I’ve done, because I’m going to the Father, and I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that I, the Son, may bring glory to the Father. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it!”
John 14:12–14

“God, by his mighty power at work within us, is able to do FAR MORE than we would ever dare to ask or even dream of — infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes.”
Ephesians 3:20

“We are confident of all this because of our great trust in God through Christ. It is NOT that we think WE can do anything of lasting value by ourselves. Our only power and success come from God.”
2 Corinthians 3:4–5

4. _____ ON GOD’S SPIRIT WILL BE OUR STRENGTH.

“God opposes the proud but He gives grace to the humble.”
James 4:6

“If you humble yourselves under God’s mighty hand, He will lift you up in his own good time.”
1 Peter 5:6

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. In everything you do, put God first, and he’ll direct you and crown your efforts with success.”
Proverbs 3:5–6

“If you look to God for help, and seek His favor, and keep yourself pure and live with integrity, God will rouse himself on your behalf ... And though you started with little, you’ll end up with much!”
Job 8:5–7

“But I am confident of this, that He who began this good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus!”
Philippians 1:6

5. _____ GOD AND PEOPLE WILL BE OUR ATTRACTION.

“Everything you do must be done with love!”
1 Corinthians 16:14

“Love is more important than anything else.”
Colossians 3:14

“Be full of love for others, following the example of Christ who loved you and gave himself as a sacrifice to take away your sins.”
Ephesians 5:2

“Love never gives up! Love never loses faith! Love is always hopeful! Love endures through every circumstance! And LOVE NEVER FAILS!”
1 Corinthians 13:7–8

“According to YOUR faith will it be done to you!”
Matthew 9:29

1. doing 2. fulfilling 3. trusting 4. depending 5. loving

一個神蹟的開始

創立馬鞍峰教會的第一次崇拜的第一篇講道

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「這是上帝的話：『你必成功，不是依靠你的權勢和能力，乃是倚靠我的靈。』這是上主說的。『大山也不能阻擋你的路... 所羅巴伯的手奠定了這殿的根基，他要完成它。不要輕視這些小小的開端，因上主的眼目，喜悅看見這工作開始。』」
撒迦利亞書 4章 6-10節 (意譯)

「其實全身都是藉着關節和筋絡從頭得着供應和聯繫，就照着神所要求的，生長起來。」
歌羅西書 2:19 (新譯本)

「你們多結果子，證明自己是我的門徒，就會給我父帶來榮耀。我揀選了你們，並且派你們出去結永存的果子。」
約翰福音 15:8, 16 (當代聖經)

保證這教會成功的五個原因

1. 上帝的話語將是我們的基礎

「我口所出的話也必如此，決不徒然返回，卻要成就我所喜悅的，在我發他去成就的事上必然亨通。」
以賽亞書 55:11 (和合本)

「你們不要單單聽道，自己欺哄自己；卻要行道。惟有時常察看使人自由之聖經，既不是聽了就忘，乃是實在行出來，就在所行的事上必然得福。」
雅各書 1:25 (和合本/意譯)

「總要晝夜思想這律法書，好使你謹守遵行這書上所寫的一切話。如此，你的道路就可以亨通，凡事順利。」
約書亞記 1:8 (和合本/意譯)

「你們既知道這事，若是去行就有福了。」
約翰福音 13:17 (和合本)

2. 上帝的目的將是我們的計劃

「人心中有許多計劃，唯耶和華的旨意成就。」
箴言 19:21 (當代聖經)

「大衛在自己的世代遵行了上帝的旨意。」
使徒行傳 13:36 (意譯)

我們的座右銘：

「對於大誠命和大使命的重大委身，能培育出一間偉大的教會！」

3. 上帝的應許將是我們的確據

「我實實在在的告訴你們，我所做的事，信我的人也要做，並且要做比這更大的事，因為我往父那裏去。你們奉我的名無論求甚麼，我必成就，叫父因兒子得榮耀。你們若奉我的名求甚麼，我必成就。」
約翰福音 14:12-14 (和合本)

「神能夠按着運行在我們裏面的大能，成就一切遠遠超過我們所求所想的 - 無限超越我們最高的祈禱、渴望、思想、盼望。」
以弗所書 3:20 (新漢語譯本/意譯)

「我們因基督，所以在神面前才有這樣的信心。並不是我們憑自己能承擔甚麼事；我們所能承擔的，乃是出於神。」
哥林多後書 3:4-5 (和合本)

4. 上帝的靈將是我們的力量

「神阻擋驕傲的人，賜恩給謙卑的人。」
雅各書 4:6 (和合本)

「你們要在上帝大能的手下謙卑，這樣，他會在適當的時機提升你們。」
彼得前書 5:6 (現代中文譯本)

「你要全心信靠上主，不可倚靠自己的聰明。在你一切所行的事上都要以他為首，他必指引你，讓你的努力獲得成功。」
箴言 3:5-6 (意譯)

「你若懇勤尋求神，向全能者懇求；你若又潔淨又正直，他就必為你奮起... 你起初雖然微小，到後來必定非常興旺。」
約伯記 8:5-7 (新譯本)

「我深信那在你們心裏動了善工的，必成全這工，直到耶穌基督的日子。」
腓立比書 1:6 (和合本)

5. 上帝和愛人將是我們的吸引力

「凡你們所做的都要憑愛心而做。」
哥林多前書 16:14 (和合本)

「最重要的是要有愛。」
歌羅西書 3:14 (當代聖經)

「要憑着愛心行事，好像基督愛我們，為我們捨己，當作馨香的供品和祭物獻給神。」
以弗所書 5:2 (新譯本)

「愛是不會放棄，不會失去信心，常存盼望，凡事忍耐。愛是不會失敗的。」
哥林多前書 13:7-8 (意譯)

「照着你們的信給你們成全了吧。」
馬太福音 9:29 (和合本)