ADAPT OR DIE! – Kahu Billy Mitchell, October 25, 2026

Adapt from Cambridge Dictionary: to change something or to change your own behavior , ideas, or physical traits to fit new conditions, environment, or purpose. **ADAPT:** CULTURALLY to food, language, ways, slippas. RESPECT: Aunty; Uncle; Ohana. TECHNOLOGIES AND THE MANY TRANSLATIONS INTO YOUR MIND AND HEART! The Hawaiian word "to eat – 'Ai"= GOOD OR EVIL DRIVING SAFETY: Lines in the middle of the road, Seatbelts, your physical condition, safety checks. TEAM SPORTS: Commit or Cry. ON FIRE FOR JESUS NOT LUKE WARM!

1. The Teaching Starts in the Garden of Eden. Adapting to God's Way is not easy, but it will bring "Eternal Life . . . Paradise!" - GENESIS 2:7-9, 15-16 NIV 7 Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being. 8 Now the Lord God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had formed. 9 The Lord God made all kinds of trees grow out of the ground—trees that were pleasing to the eye and good for food. In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. 15 The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. 16 And the Lord God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; 17 But you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die."

Pilikia in the Garden - GENESIS 3:1-9 ESV (JOHN 10:10 NIV) 1 Now the serpent (satan)was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?" 2 And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, 3 but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'" 4 But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. 5 For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." 6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. (Right vs. Righteous) 7 Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths. 8 And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the Lord God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?

2. Rebuilding the Wall of Jerusalem - NEHEMIAH: 4:6-18 NIV 6 So we rebuilt the wall till all of it reached half its height, for the people worked with all their heart. 7 But when Sanballat, Tobiah, the Arabs, the Ammonites and the people of Ashdod heard that the repairs to Jerusalem's walls had gone ahead and that the gaps were being closed, they were very angry. 8 They all plotted together to come and fight against Jerusalem and stir up trouble against it. 9 But we prayed to our God and posted a guard day and night to meet this threat. 10 Meanwhile, the people in Judah said, "The strength of the laborers is giving out, and there is so much rubble that we cannot rebuild the wall." 11 Also our enemies said, "Before they know it or see us, we will be right there among them and will kill them and put an end to the work." 12 Then the Jews who lived near them came and told us ten times over, "Wherever you turn, they will attack us." 13 Therefore I stationed some of the people behind the lowest points of the wall at the exposed places, posting them by families with their swords, spears and bows. 14 After I looked things over, I stood up and said to the nobles the officials and the rest of the people, "Don't be afraid of them. Remember the Lord who is great and awesome and fight for your families your sons and your daughters your wives and your homes." 15 When our enemies heard that we were aware of their plot and that God had frustrated it we all

returned to the wall, each to our own work. [16] From that day on half of my men did the work while the other half were equipped with spears shields bows and armor. The officers posted themselves behind all the people of Judah [17] who were building the wall. Those who carried materials did their work with one hand /and held a weapon in the other, [18] and (each of the builders wore his sword at his side as he worked). But the man who sounded the trumpet stayed with me.

NEHEMIAH 6;15 NIV So the wall was completed on the twenty-fifth of Elul (August and September, in the Gregorian Calendar) in fifty-two days!
The Purpose of the Wall was to Protect the Temple for Worship and Beauty. Amene.

3. Jesus in the Garden of Gesthemane - "Father Take This Cup From Me, But Not My Will But Your Will Be Done!"
4. Jesus on the Cross . . . Jesus Commits - "It Is Finished!" His Work on Earth is Finished Until He Comes Again to Receive All True Believers with Him . . . What About You? Are You Truly Committed or Luke Warm?

5. How Do We Adapt to God's Ways and Flourish Not Stagnate and Die Eternally!

I. .Receive His Son, Jesus - JOHN 3:3,14 ESV [3] Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God. [14] And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up,
JOHN 3:16 NIV For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.
ROMANS 10:9-10 NIV [9] If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. [10] For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.

II. ROMANS 12:2 ESV Do not be conformed (adapted) to this world, but be Transformed (Adapted to the Christ) by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

III. 2 CHRONICLES 7:14 NIV if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

IV. COLOSSIANS 3:16 ESV Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

V. Church . . . . Consistent . . . Bring Someone You Love!

Conclusion: Today Can We Just Say "Thank You Lord and "I Love You Lord!"
Jesus Is Coming Back Soon for Those Who Truly Have Adapted by Faith to His Ways!
"Let's Get Ready Together Church!" Amene.