

Transformed Christian Covenant Communities of Disciples – *doers of the Word*

“Praying and working together to *Transform* our communities into a kingdom of God communities, where Jesus Christ is glorified in all that we say, do and think.”

Transformed by the Spirit

The Lord’s plan is for the people of the world to be transform into His image. *But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.* (2 Corinthians 3:18)

Jesus gave His twelve disciples the spiritual authority to minister in the power of the Holy Spirit. *Then He called His twelve disciples together and gave them power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases. ² He sent them to preach the kingdom of God and to heal the sick. ⁶ So they departed and went through the towns, preaching the gospel and healing everywhere.* (Luke 9: 1-2, 6)

Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to fill His disciples with power to be His witnesses. *But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”* (Acts 1:8)

Community Transformation

How can secular, sinful, selfish worldly communities be transformed into kingdom of God communities? **These are communities where people will continue to be saved, healed, set free and discipled and then sent out to share the good news, the truth of the King and His kingdom of God resulting in a great soul harvest.**

All this is only accomplished in *partnership* with the power and presents of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus said, *“I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.”* (John 15:5)

The apostle Paul realized what the Lord could do through him as he allowed Him, *“I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.”* (Philippians 4:13)

Five Pivotal Paradigms for Community and National Transformation and the Principles of Prayer Evangelism outlined below.

- We are called to disciple nations, not just individuals. (Matthew 28:18-20)
- The Marketplace, which is the heart of the nation, has been redeemed and now needs to be reclaimed. (Luke 19:10)
- Every Christian is a minister, and labor is worship. (1 Timothy 2:1-8; Acts 20:34-35)
- We are called to take the kingdom of God to where the gates of hell are for Jesus to build His Church, His ekklesia. (Matthew 16:18-19)
- Nation transformation must be tangible and the premier social indicator is the elimination of systemic poverty. (Galatians 2:10)

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Methodology (Luke 10:5-9)

- **Bless:** Speak peace to the people and the systems. (Luke 10:5)
- **Fellowship:** Listen. (Luke 10:7)
- **Minister:** Address the felt needs in the name of the Lord. (Luke 10:9a)
- **Proclaim:** Let it be known that the kingdom of God is nearby. (Luke 10:9b)

The Biblical Objectives

- **To lift up Jesus Christ in the entire nation** (John 12:32)
- For the enemy to fall down and all his demons to become subject to the Church (Luke 10:17; Matthew 16:18)
- So that the world that has already been redeemed will be reclaimed, and sinners will force their way into the kingdom of God. (Luke 19:10; Luke 16:16)

The Spirit of the Lord is causing a **convergence**, a merging of the streams of **Prayer, Evangelism, Church Planting** and **Discipleship** around the world.

Harvest and Community Transformation Strategy

A Spirit empowered and directed strategy of **Prayer, Evangelism, Discipleship** and **Church planting**:

- First start with a network and a season of united corporate traveling **Prayer** to cover the region and establish air supremacy. Praise and worship attracts the manifest presence of the Holy Spirit to transform lives, families, congregations, communities and nations. Psalm 22:6
- This is followed by strategic **Evangelism** outreach events where the anointed gospel message is proclaimed and the lost are convicted by the Holy Spirit and souls are saved.
- These newly saved people will then be led to join neighborhood **Discipleship** Bible study groups that are local and relational leading to exponential growth.
- These groups may then form new **Christian congregations** of worship, fellowship, support and service.

Bringing in the harvest of souls

Jesus teaches us in Luke 5:4-11 that:

- He calls forth the harvest
- We are invited to bring in the harvest of souls in **partnership** with Him and with other members of the body of Christ
- We all need to lift the **net** – work together
- When the harvest comes in all the boats or barns of the partners will be **filled**
- He calls us to be **fishers of men**.

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Vessels of the Holy Spirit

The Lord is searching for a prepared people and place to land and inhabit on the earth.

2 King 4:1-7 Fill **empty vessels** with the anointing oil of the power and presence of the Holy Spirit.

The Lord promises that, *“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 will forgive their sin and heal their land.** (2 Chronicles 7:14)*

The Lord promised to provide the His anointed leaders to equip the body of Christ. *And He Himself gave some to be **apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,** ¹² for the **equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,** ¹³ till we all come to the **unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;** (Ephesians 4:11 -13)*

The Lord blesses unity in his body Psalm 133:1; Ephesians 2:24; John 17:21-26

Glory of the Lord

This all leads to glorifying the Lord Jesus so He will receive the full reward and inheritance for His suffering. Psalm 2:8 *Ask of Me, and I will give You **The nations for Your inheritance, And the ends of the earth for Your possession.***

Community Transformation is indicated when:

- Political leaders publicly acknowledge their sin and dependence on God. (2 Kings 11:17–18; 23:2; Jonah 3:6–9)
- New kingdom laws, curricula, and business practices are put into effect. (2 Chronicles 19:4–10; Nehemiah 10:31)
- The natural environment is restored to its original life-nurturing state. (Leviticus 26:4–5; 2 Chronicles 7:14; Ezekiel 34:27; 36:29-30)
- Economic conditions improve and lead to a discernible reduction of poverty. (2 Chronicles 17:3–5; Psalm 144:14; Isaiah 60:5; Amos 9:13)
- There is a marked change in social entertainment and vices as Kingdom values are integrated into daily life. (Ezra 10:1–4; Nehemiah 8:10, 16; Acts 19:17–20)
- Crime and corruption diminish throughout the community. (2 Kings 12:13–15; Nehemiah 5:6–12; Isaiah 60:17–18)
- Volunteerism increases as Christians recognize their responsibility to heal and serve their community (Isaiah 58:10–12; 61:1–4)
- Restored hope and joy leads to a decline in divorce, bankruptcy, and suicide. (Nehemiah 12:27–28, 43; Isaiah 54:11–14; 61:3,7; Jeremiah 30:17–19; 31:11–13)
- The spiritual nature of the growing socio-political renewal becomes a featured topic in the secular media. (2 Chronicles 20:29; Nehemiah 6:16; Isaiah 55:5; Ezekiel 36:36; Acts 19:17)
- Overwhelmed by the goodness of God, grateful Christians take the fire and power of revival into surrounding communities and nations (2 Chronicles 17:9; Isaiah 61:6; Acts 11:20–26)