

Servant Leaders Reaching the Lost

Why do we need to reach the lost?

Matthew 13:44 (KJV)

⁴⁴ Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field.

One of our Foundational Scripture is – **Matthew 5:13 (KJV)**

¹³ Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

Matthew 5:13 The Message

¹³ “Let me tell you why you are here. You’re here to be salt-seasoning that brings out the God-flavors of this earth. If you lose your saltiness, how will people taste godliness? You’ve lost your usefulness and will end up in the garbage.

My **purpose** is to be ‘salty’.

“Until purpose is discovered, existence has no meaning, for purpose is the source of fulfillment.”

Dr. Myles Munroe

Salt influences what it touches.... what it's mixed in is impacted by its saltiness.

How Do We Remain Salty?

1.) **Conform** to Christ

Consider **Romans 12:1-2 (KJV)**

¹² I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. ² And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Romans 12:1-2 (CEV)

Christ Brings New Life

¹² Dear friends, God is good. So I beg you to offer your bodies to him as a living sacrifice, pure and pleasing. That’s the most sensible way to serve God. ² Don’t be like the people of this world, but let God change the way you think. Then you will know how to do everything that is good and pleasing to him.

We’re to be in the **world** but not of the **world**.

God called you **out** of the world so He could **send** you into the world.

We’re called to **transformation** not **isolation**.

Conform – Defined from the Greek

1.) To conform one’s self (i.e. one’s mind and character) to another’s pattern, (fashion one’s self according to)

Conform defined in Cambridge Dictionary –

To behave according to a group’s usual standards and expectations, or to operate according to a rule:

Get under, get in and then operate through Christ!

Two different narratives regarding coming under Christ –

- 1.) Hostile takeover - full of **fear**
- 2.) Negotiation - full of **pride**

The Father through the power of the Holy Spirit draws us.

Living through Christ we live by a higher law.

2.) **By walking in our God given purpose.**

The Church (Body of Christ) will become relevant in these last days.

Consider **Genesis 39:1-6 The Message**

After Joseph had been taken to Egypt by the Ishmaelites, Potiphar an Egyptian, one of Pharaoh's officials and the manager of his household, bought him from them.

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²⁻⁶ As it turned out, God was with Joseph and things went very well with him. He ended up living in the home of his Egyptian master. His master recognized that God was with him, saw that God was working for good in everything he did. He became very fond of Joseph and made him his personal aide. He put him in charge of all his personal affairs, turning everything over to him. From that moment on, God blessed the home of the Egyptian—all because of Joseph. The blessing of God spread over everything he owned, at home and in the fields, and all Potiphar had to concern himself with was eating three meals a day.

To become relevant again the church must increase its **capacity**.

Consider - **1 Corinthians 12:27-28 (KJV)**

²⁷ Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.

²⁸ And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, **governments**, diversities of tongues.

Govern (*verb*)

1. conduct the policy, actions, and affairs of (a state, organization, or people).

rule, preside over, reign over, control, be in charge of, command, lead, dominate; run, head, administer, manage, regulate, oversee, supervise; determine, decide, control, regulate, direct, rule, dictate, shape; affect, influence, sway, act on, mold, modify, impact on

The Gift of Administration vs. Project Management Skills

5 Areas to improve skills in –

- 1.) **Communication**
- 2.) **Time Management**
- 3.) **Team Spirit**
- 4.) **Quality Leadership**
- 5.) **Making Use of Modern Tools**