

Reaching and Restoring the City to God

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FiveTwo is a “how to” network equipping sacramental church leaders to more effectively reach the lost in their community through the local church.

US Urbanization

	Urban	Rural	
1950	64%	36%	
1960	69%	31%	
1970	73%	27%	
1980	73%	27%	
1990	75%	25%	
2000	80%	20%	222,360,539





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Community Development / Holistic Ministry

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Metro Area

Complex center of population,
culture, and political power

People who matter to God

Multicultural Population

Needs:

Physical, Spiritual, Educational, Material,
Psychological, etc

Urgent Mission Field

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Indigenous / Missional Leadership



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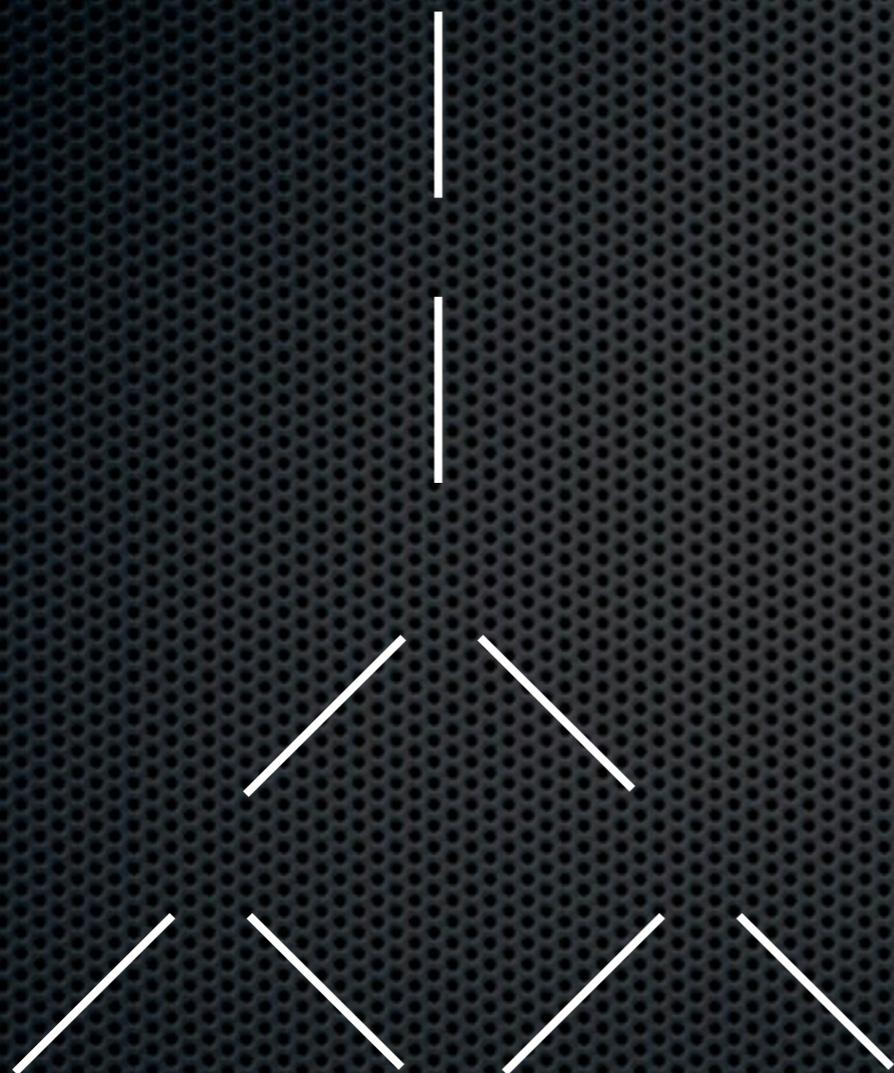
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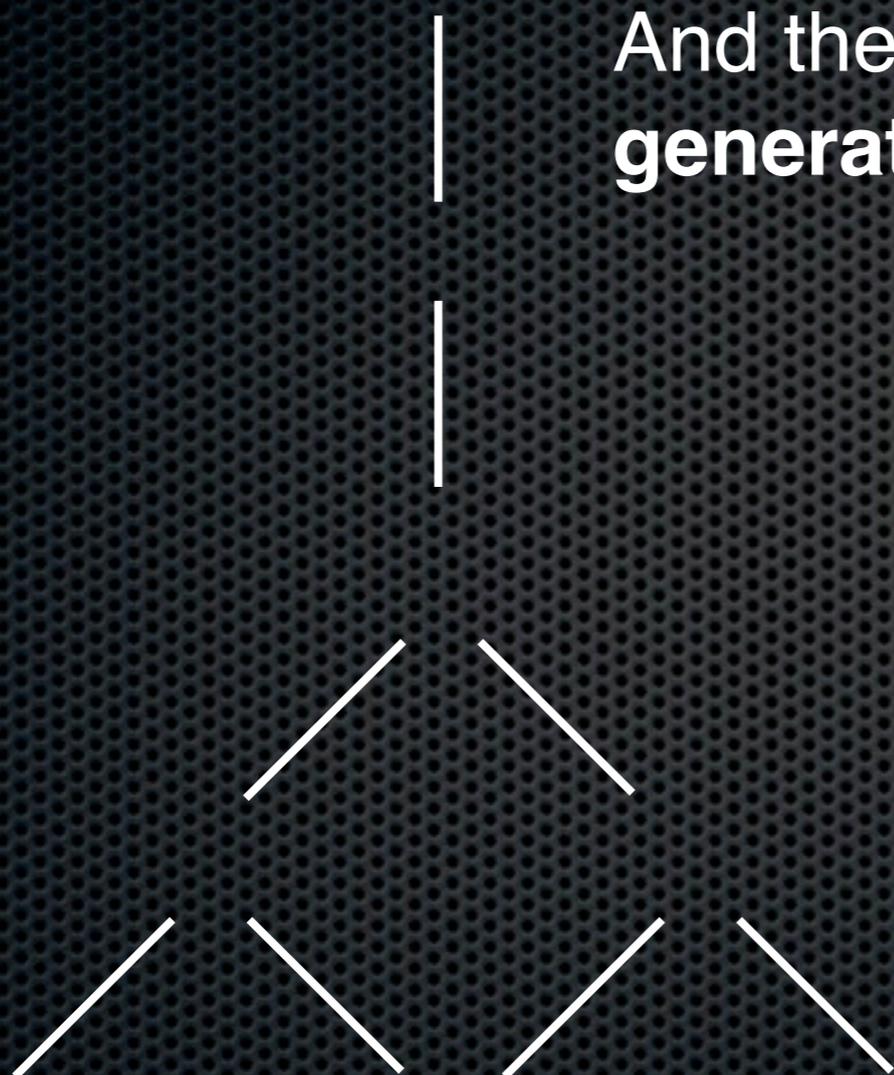
- A leadership development system that **equips** and **transfers authority** to indigenous communities.

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three areas of training

- ✦ **THEOLOGY**

(Calling (internal and external evidences) + Sound Doctrine);

- ✦ **GODLINESS** (Character);

- ✦ **MINISTRY** (Competency (preparation and training), Spiritual Gift, Heart, Ability, Personality, Experience).

multiplication of churches

Church Multiplication

- ✦ A church multiplication model is based more on **group** discipleship than on **individual** leadership

Gospel preached by all

- ✦ On that day a great persecution broke out against the church at Jerusalem, and all except the apostles were scattered throughout Judea and Samaria. Acts 8:11
- ✦ Those who had been scattered preached the word wherever they went. Acts 8:4

Church as people, not place

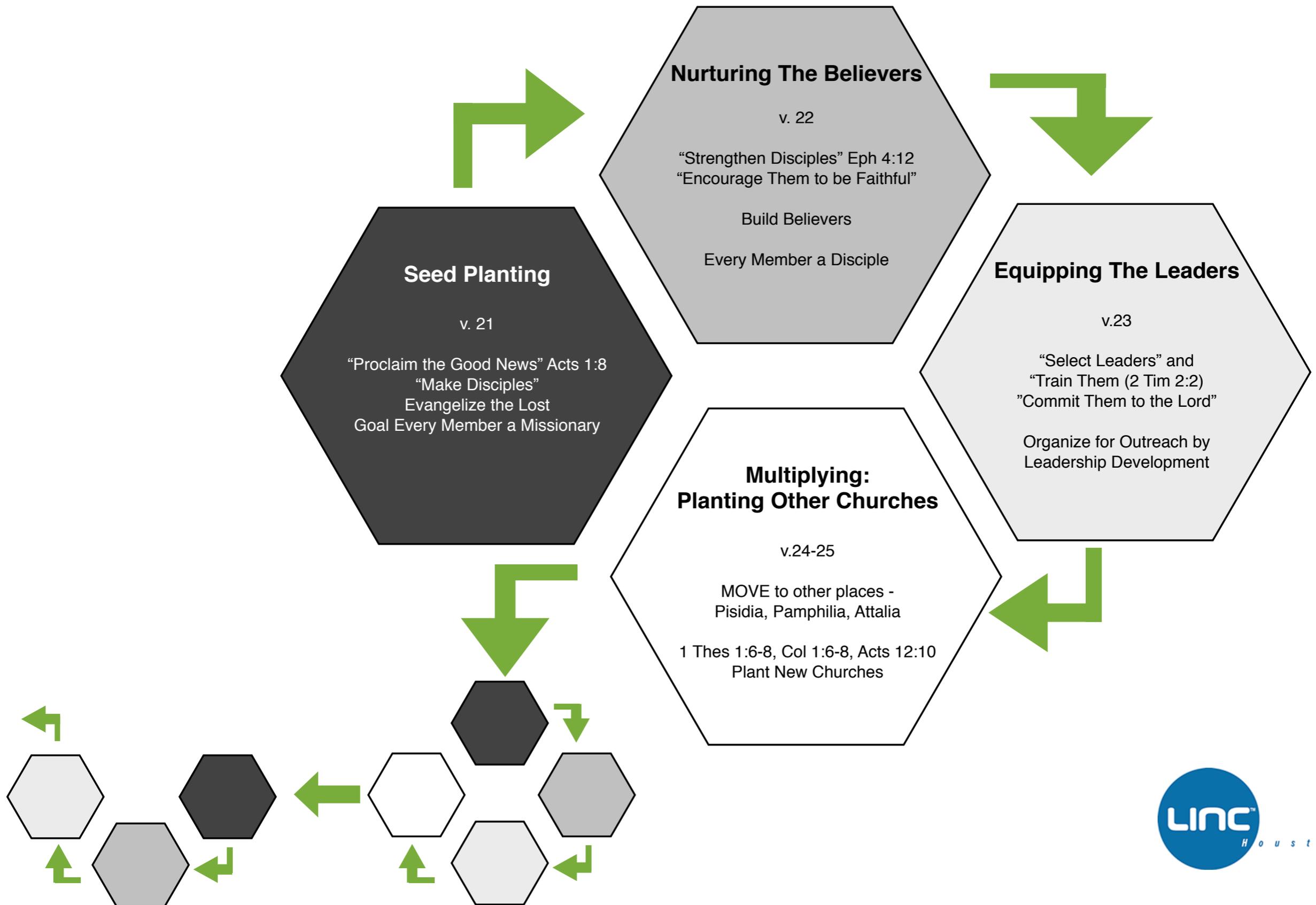
- ✦ To Philemon our dear friend and fellow worker, 2 to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier and to **the church that meets in your home**: Philemon 1

Multiplication must become normal



- ✦ Church must become cellular

Church Multiplication Model - Acts 14



Urban Ministry Networks

- ✦ We must relearn how to be part of our communities

isolation leads to irrelevance

- ✦ Lutherans typically define ourselves as who we aren't, and who we don't relate with.
- ✦ Urban ministry is impossible alone, some "un-orthodox" partnerships are necessary.
- ✦ We must learn to speak to and act with the community on common issues.

Two Kingdoms

Kingdom of the Left

Kingdom of the Right

Igniting the Lutheran Machine to Action

- ✦ What moves us to action?
- ✦ What do we truly care about?
- ✦ What makes people give their time and write checks?

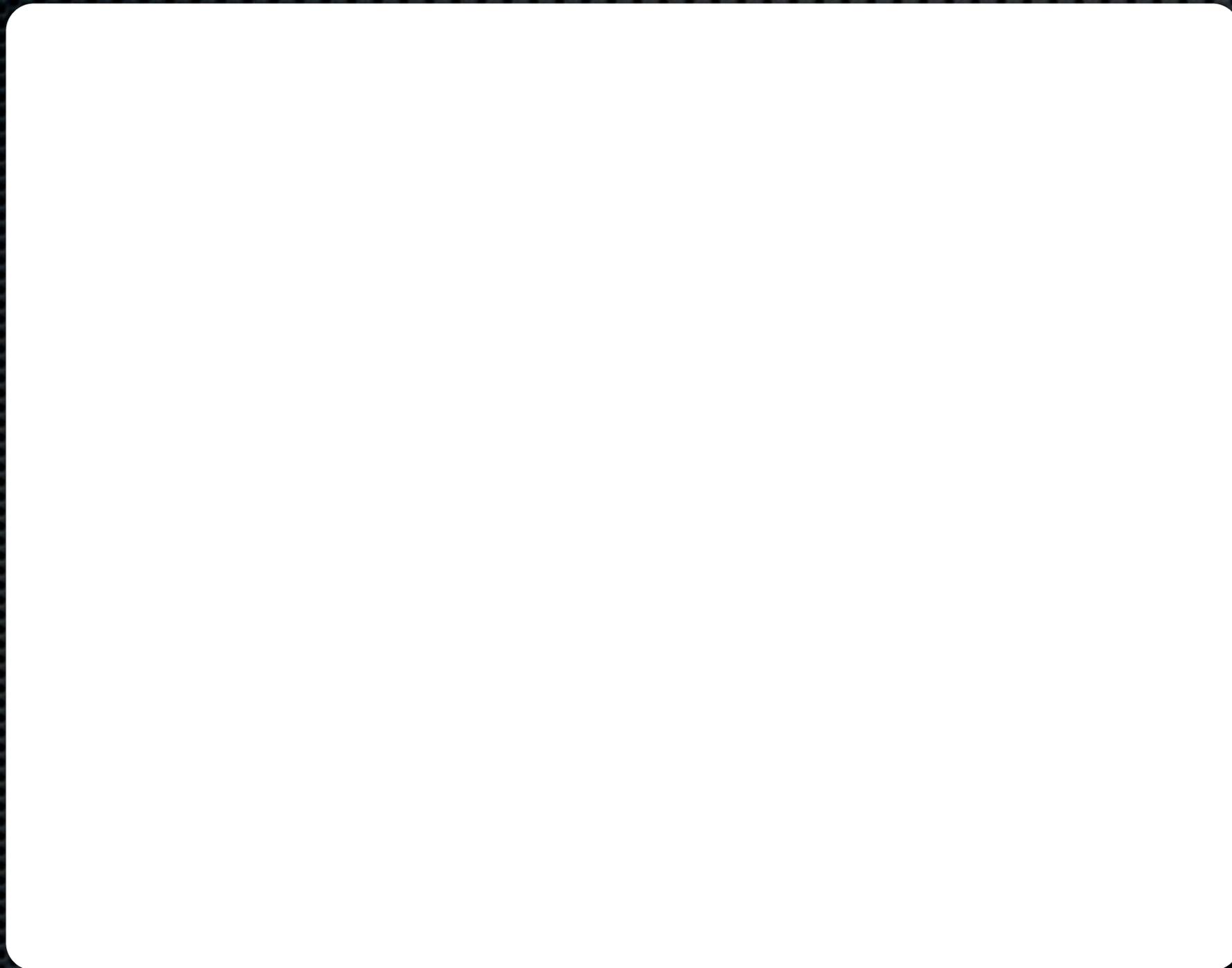
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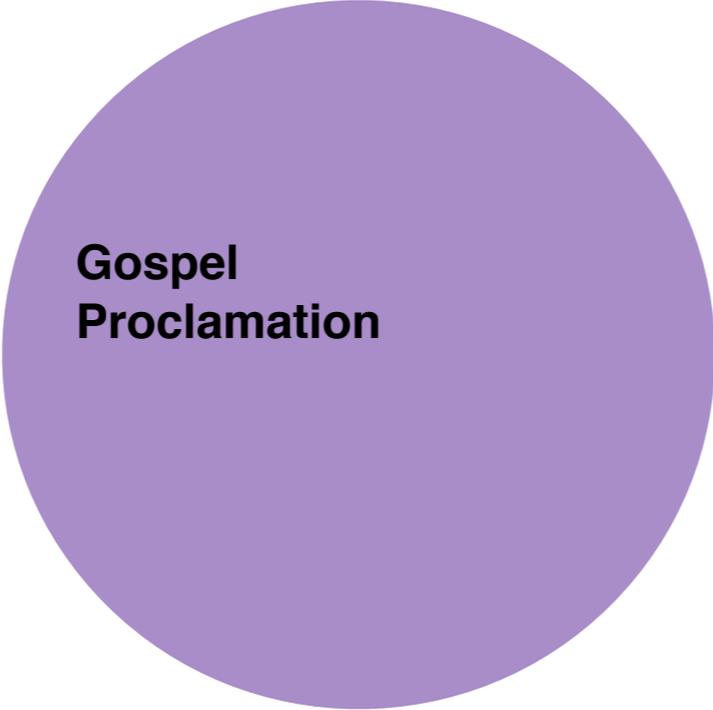
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- ✦ “They said to me, “Those who survived the exile and are back in the province are in great trouble and disgrace. The wall of Jerusalem is **broken down**, and its gates have been burned with fire.” When I heard these things, I sat down and wept. For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of heaven.” (Neh 1:3-4 NIV)

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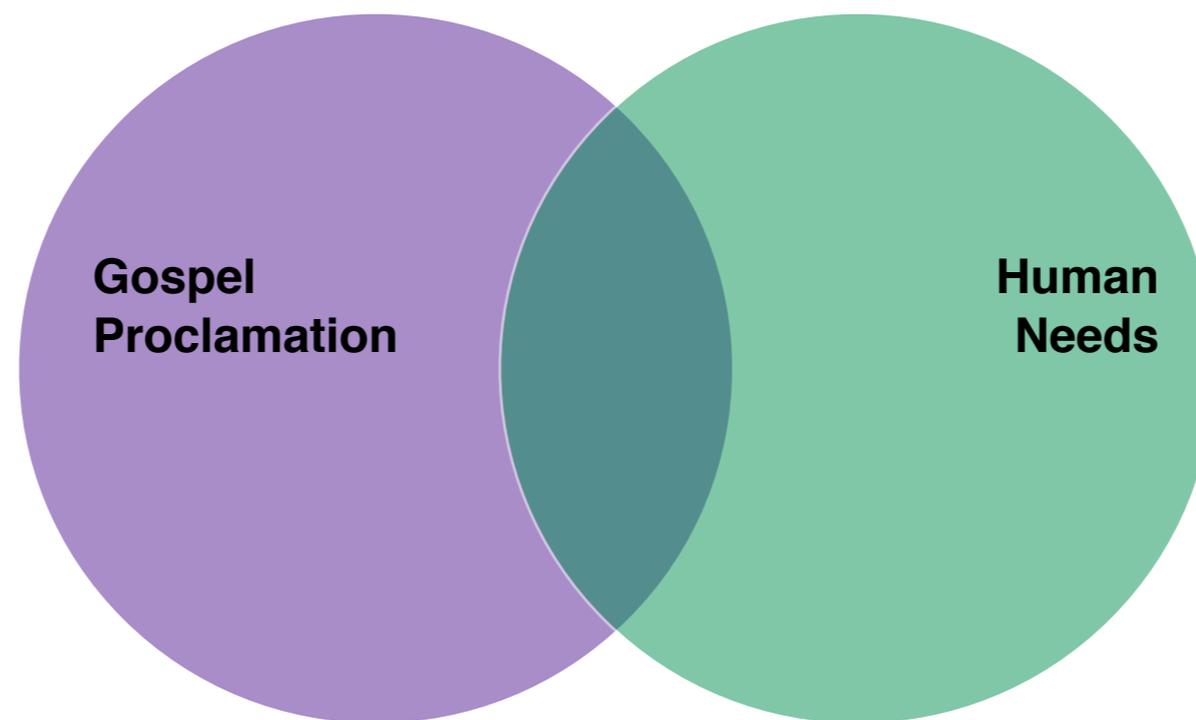


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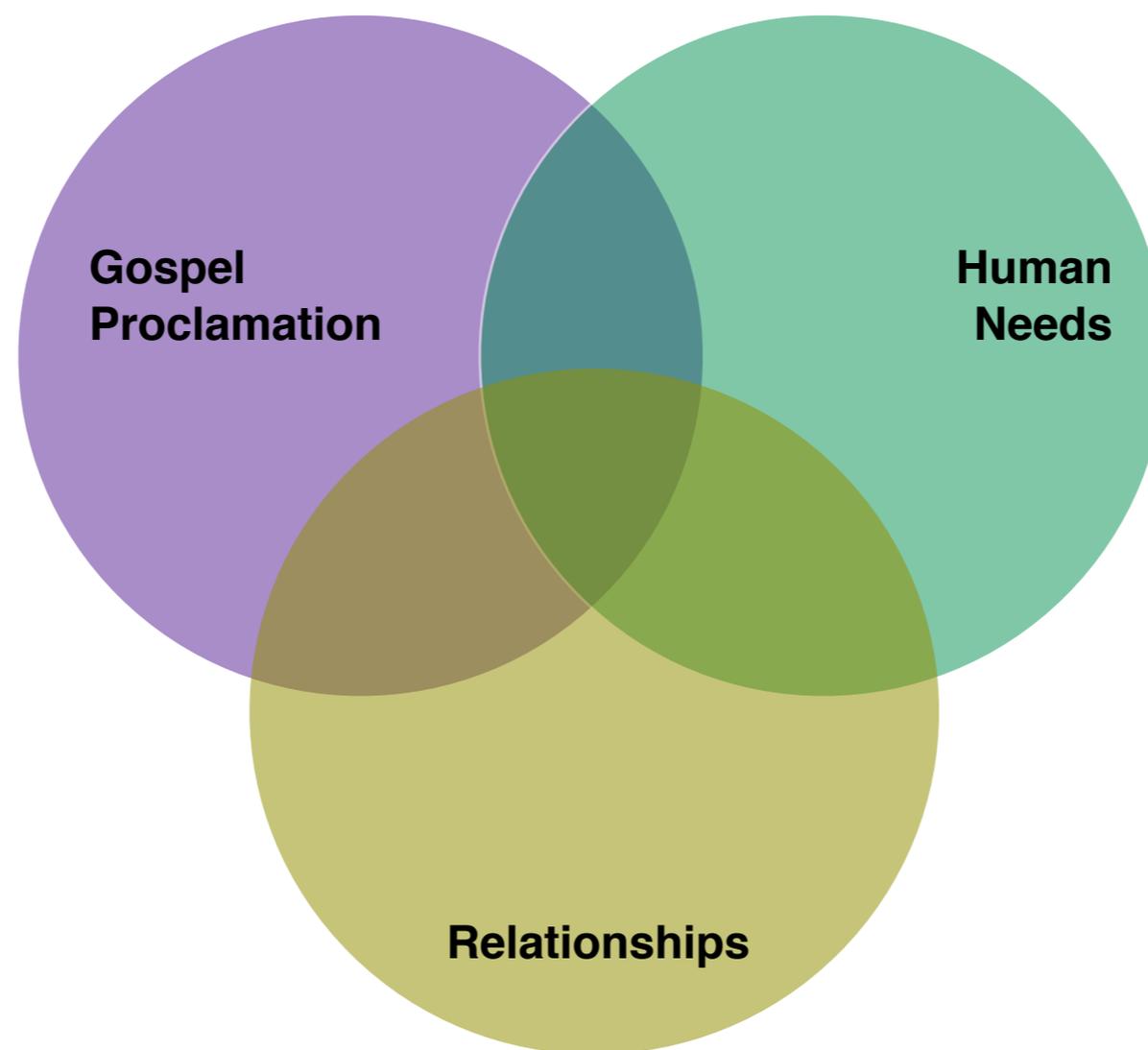


**Gospel
Proclamation**

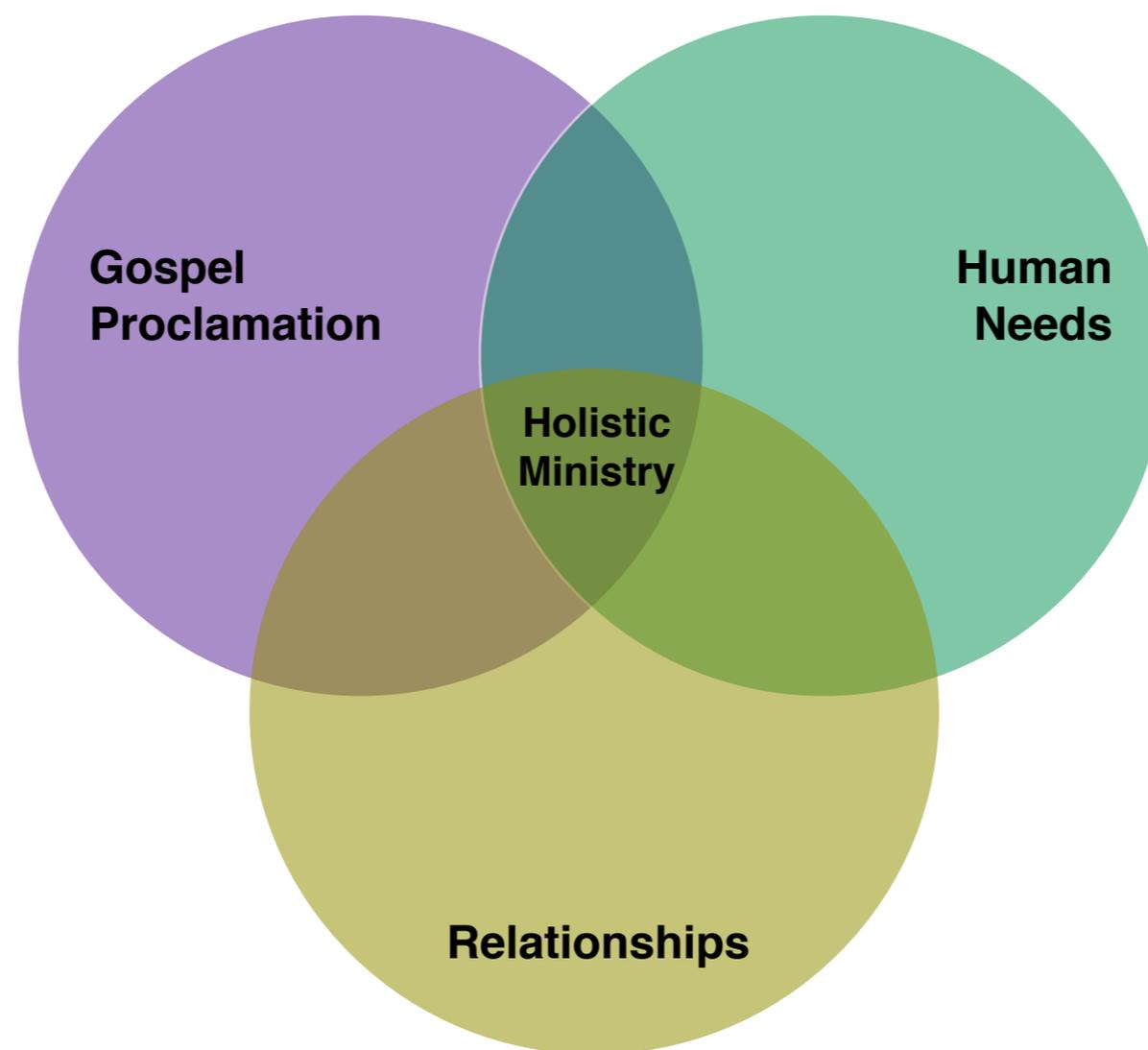
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holistic ministry

- ✦ Reaching your community with the **whole gospel** for the **whole person** through **whole churches**

the Whole Gospel

salvation in its **fullest** sense --

- ✦ forgiveness of sins
- ✦ inner conversion of individuals in regeneration and sanctification
- ✦ physical well-being
- ✦ the transformation of social and economic relationships
- ✦ the renewal of our communities
- ✦ the ultimate triumph of Christ over the forces of evil on a cosmic scale.

incarnational lifestyle

- ✦ integrity
- ✦ compassion
- ✦ invitation



holistic ministry

serves the **Whole Person**

- ✦ The church ministers to **every dimension** of human need, and seeks wholeness at every social level

- ✦ individuals
- ✦ families
- ✦ communities
- ✦ nations
- ✦ global human family.

holistic ministry

serves the **Whole Person**

- Holistic ministry values every person as a **unique** and **marvelous** creation, destined for eternity.

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serves the **Whole Person**

- Because of the Spirit's power to make all things new, a transformational perspective sees persons in terms of their **potential** rather than their problems.

holistic ministry

serves the **Whole Person**

- ministering **Christ's wholeness** to others is part of what makes us whole

holistic ministry through **whole churches**

- ✦ Holistic ministry occurs through **whole churches** where disciples of Christ live out their salvation in loving **fellowship**.

holistic ministry

part of a **Mission Strategy**

- ✦ It connects the church with its **mission of compassion**
- ✦ It **values people** above their need
- ✦ It follows **Jesus' example**
- ✦ It lays the foundation for a **solid community of faith**



holistic ministry

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- ✦ It reflects the love that God has for **all people**
- ✦ It **amplifies** the Gospel message
- ✦ It is the **Gospel made real** to people's lives
- ✦ It turns community members from needy clients into **valuable partners**



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Partner A

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Partner A

Partner B

Mutually Beneficial Relationships

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Partner B

Barriers to Holistic Ministry

- ✦ Fear of mixing the “two kingdoms”
- ✦ Fear of “Social Gospel”
- ✦ Misunderstanding of poverty
- ✦ Unreal expectations
- ✦ Our desire to “help”



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Evangelism ->

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Evangelism -> **Relief** -> **Development**

Use of outside resources

“The question is not **whether** to use outside resources, but **how** to use outside resources.”

- ✦ Determine your **desired outcome** before you begin.
- ✦ Use outside resources as **catalyst for growth**.
- ✦ Monitor health of **indigenous leadership** in programs.



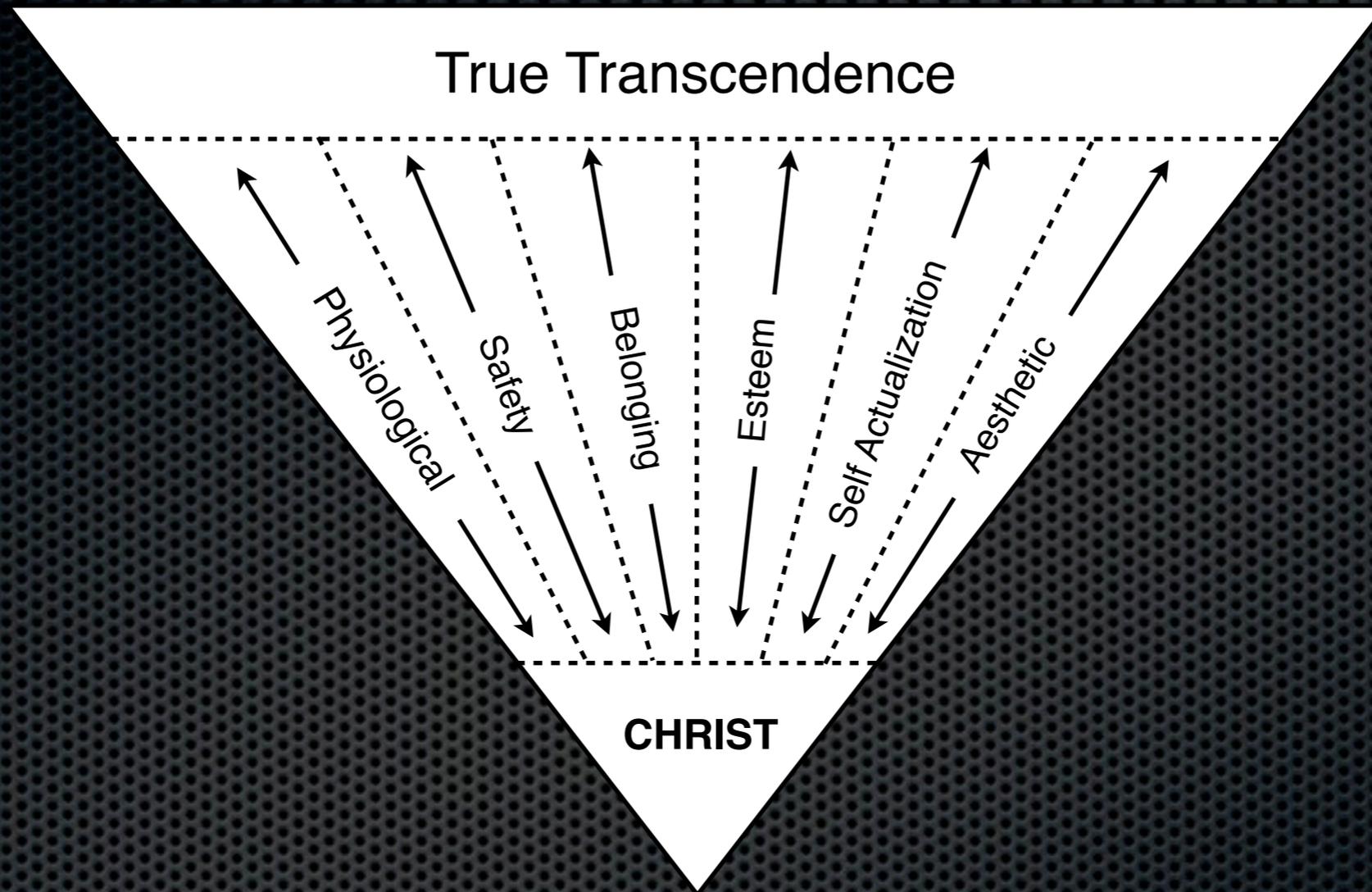


Compassion is the Connector



Maslov's Hierarchy of Needs

human needs



Christian Hierarchy of Needs

The Goal

To love and help people meet all their needs **until they understand** their completeness and wholeness in Christ.



Principles of Christian Community Development

- ✦ The ministry must be identifiably **Christian**.
- ✦ Christ preached to the people and, when they were hungry, **he fed them**.
- ✦ Must follow the principles of **indigenization**.
- ✦ **Material resources** must be used as efficiently as possible.
- ✦ The **planting** and **development** of compassionate **churches** in every part of the city must be the long-term goal.

the End Goal

Full **restoration** of communities

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to God through **JESUS** to each other



“If we wipe out poverty, but neglect to tell the poor the Good News about Jesus Christ, we will have failed in our mission. If we preach the Gospel, but ignore the plight of the poor, we are false prophets.”

