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BUILDING
A DISCIPLINING
CULTURE

The mission of God in the
hands of ordinary people.

Changing the Narrative



Christianity has Plateaued in Australia



The Rediscovery of being able to be Disciples that Multiply



¹³ Then Jesus said to them, “If you can’t understand the meaning of this parable, **how will you understand all the other parables?**”

¹⁴The farmer plants seed by **taking
God's word to others.**

Mark 4



¹⁵ The seed that fell on the footpath represents those who hear the message, only to have Satan come at once and take it away.

Mark 4



¹⁹ The seed that fell on the footpath represents those who **hear the message** about the Kingdom and **don't understand it**. Then the evil one comes and snatches away the seed that was planted in their hearts.

Matthew 13.19



Truth that is not understood cannot be received



¹⁶The seed on the rocky soil represents those who hear the message and immediately receive it with joy. ¹⁷But since they **don't have deep roots**, they don't last long. They fall away as soon as they have **problems** or **are persecuted for believing God's word**.

Mark 4



Here the issue is

Vulnerability

problems or are persecuted for believing



¹⁸The seed that fell among the thorns represents others who hear God's word, but all too quickly the **message is crowded out** by the **worries** of this life, the **lure of wealth**, and the **desire for other things**, so no fruit is produced.

Mark 4



Here the issue is

Spacial

The word is crowded out



²⁰And the seed that fell on good soil represents those who **hear** and **accept** God's word and **produce a harvest** of thirty, sixty, or even a hundred times as much as had been planted!"

Mark 4.20



¹⁵ And the seeds that fell on the good soil represent **honest, good-hearted people** who **hear** God's word, **cling to it**, and **patiently produce a huge harvest**.

Luke 8.15



What is the

Huge Harvest?



Huge Harvest

1/ In your person...Redemptive lift

²²But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control.

Huge Harvest

**2/ Through you to reach others...A
harvest of souls**



³⁵ You know the saying, 'Four months between planting and harvest.' But I say, wake up and look around. The fields are already ripe ³⁶ for harvest. The harvesters are paid good wages, and the fruit they harvest is people brought to eternal life.

John 4.35-36



Building a Discipling Culture
is a Mindset
as much as a Destination



Multiplication is Systemically Embedded



Addition Models and Multiplication Models are different



Addition can occur through an anointed leader adding souls to the Kingdom



Multiplication demands empowerment

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Multiplication requires **Authority** and not
just **Responsibility**



Be Fruitful and **Multiply** and fill the earth

Genesis 1.28



“I will certainly bless you, and I will **multiply** your descendants beyond number...”

Genesis 22.7



The God of this nation of Israel chose our ancestors and made them **multiply** and grow strong during their stay in Egypt.

Acts 13.17



³⁸ A rabble of non-Israelites went with them, along with great flocks and herds of livestock.

Acts 13.17



Marry and have children. Then find spouses for them so that you may have many grandchildren. **Multiply!** Do not dwindle away!

Jeremiah 29.6



⁴⁷praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

Acts 2.47



But as **the believers rapidly multiplied**, there were rumblings of discontent

Acts 6.1



Do your systems and structures reflect a multiplication mindset?

- At the individual level
- Multiplying coaching clusters



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