

NextSteps For Leading a Missional Church

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The Goal of NextSteps

Our goal is simple. It is our desire to help you lead and grow the church that God has called you to lead. We are not here to promote a certain style or model, but to simply **promote proven missional principles** that will assist you in leading your church towards health and global impact.

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Missio Dei

- Missional Cry of God - Genesis 3:8-9
- Missional Promise of God - Genesis 3:15
- Missional Vehicle - Genesis 12:1-3
- Missional Vehicle - Matthew 16:18

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“Just as God is a missionary God, so the church is to be a missionary church”

Craig Van Gelder, *The Essence of the Church*, page 98.

“A church effectively engaged in mission will see that participating in Missio Dei will involve shifting emphasis from a focus on the life of the local church...to a concern for the world in its need, joys and struggles.”

Robert Warren quoted by Stuart Murray, *Church Planting Foundations* page 40



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Where are we going?

Who?
Characteristics & Skills
of Missional Leaders

What?
A Missional Vision

How?
Missional Values & Systems

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Missional Leaders are

1. Passionate followers of Christ

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5

"The passion of George Müller's soul was to know fully the secrets of prevailing with God..."

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2. Inspire others to worship God
- Romans 12:1

"Missional leaders understand that worship is primarily a lifestyle, a series of intentional decisions one makes to allow God to have first priority in their lives."

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3. Serve out of their unique giftedness
- Romans 12:3

"Missional leaders are comfortable in their own skin and in operating within their God-given strengths."

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4. Have a heart for the lost all around them.

“...he was greatly distressed to see that the city was full of idols.” Acts 17:16

“Missional leaders don’t want to just grow a church but they want to see lives within a city or region transformed.”

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1. Empower those around them
– II Timothy 2:2

“Missional leaders are multiplying leaders.”

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2. Build and maintain healthy relationships – John 13: 34-35

“The mission of God is a relational mission.”

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3. They understand the power of small groups and ministry teams – Acts 13:5,16:1

“Teamwork is essential to achieving God’s missional purposes. One man said, “It is not biblical to think of ministering alone.”

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4. Design & develop healthy church systems – Acts 6:1-7

“Church Systems are reproducible processes by which the church actualizes its values and achieves its mission.”

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Big Picture

Foundational Characteristics

- They are passionate followers of Christ – **Passionate Spirituality**
- They inspire others to worship God – **Inspiring Worship**
- They serve out of their unique giftedness – **Gift Oriented Ministry**
- They have a heart for the lost all around them – **Need Oriented Evangelism**

Essential Skills

- They empower those around them – **Empowering Leadership**
- They build and maintain healthy relationships – **Loving Relationships**
- They understand the power of small groups and ministry teams – **Holistic Small Groups**
- They design & develop healthy church systems – **Effective Structures**

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Speed of the leader... Speed of the team

- Missional leaders lead missional churches
- Healthy leaders lead healthy churches
- Growing leaders lead growing churches

“Too many people are mere products of their context, lacking the will to change, to develop their potential. I believe, however, that anyone, of any age and in any circumstances, can transform himself if he wants to.” Warren Bennis

Reflective Questions

- Is your passion for Christ infectious?
- How is your personal adoration preparing you for corporate worship?
- Are you functioning more and more in your sweet spot of ministry?
- Are you becoming more distressed over the lost souls in your city?

Reflective Questions

- Who are you pouring your life into these days?
- Is your relational life cluttered or uncluttered?
- How are you building team leaders and teams to carrying the ministry forward?
- How are you designing, developing and measuring the effectiveness of you systems?

Q & A

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Next Free Webinar

March 9th - Noon CST

Topic: How to you bring missional alignment to your vision, values and systems?

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Gary's New Book

"The great Apostle asked, 'How are they going to hear without someone preaching?' The reality is that the eternal gospel goes forth to people from people. And, by experience, most people 'hear' the gospel through a spiritual conversation not a sermon. This book empowers normal people to share the gospel through intentional conversations."

Darrin Patrick
Lead Pastor of The Journey, St. Louis, Mo
Vice President of Acts 29 Network



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