

Your Calling and Destiny

In order to impact others for Christ and His kingdom you must:

- 1) Find your identity in being an adopted son or daughter of God by placing your faith in Christ.
- 2) Have your worth based in the love and affection of your heavenly Father apart from your achievements.
- 3) Become a member of a healthy loving spiritual family who can encourage, train, and correct you.
- 4) Be committed to maturing into a person like Christ, full of love, wisdom, character, integrity, and filled with the Holy Spirit.

These essential foundations are the basis of being used by Christ to advance His kingdom on earth.

Start by asking Father to place in your heart a specific person he wants you to love and serve. Ask God how He wants you to serve them. Most often, He will ask you to begin praying for them. He will give you a sense of compassion and concern for the person, and then reveal a certain need in their life He wants you to help meet. You should get confirmation from members of your spiritual family that what you are hearing and discerning is from the Lord. Be sure to ask permission from the person before you start to help them. Take a step of faith and obey what Father is asking you to do with the help of the Holy Spirit. When you are faithful in doing the little basic kinds of serving, God will then give you even more responsibility.

You can change the world by influencing one person for Christ or solving one problem by applying kingdom solutions. There are five kingdom strategies for changing the world:

- 1) You can usher the kingdom of God to earth through prayer.
- 2) You can release the reality of the kingdom of God by faith-filled communication such as preaching, teaching, evangelizing, and sharing your testimony of God's mercy and grace.
- 3) You can help others to follow Christ (make disciples), teaching them to obey every thing He taught in the Word.
- 4) You can demonstrate the love and power of Christ, like healing the sick, casting out demons, and doing acts of compassion (such as feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, sheltering the homeless, caring for widows and orphans).

5) You can become a servant-leader who provides kingdom solutions or enterprises which transform all areas of society like families, business, social and civil services, medicine, education, arts, sports, entertainment, communications, media, etc.

Place your faith in Christ. Believe that He has a wonderful plan for your life. Learn to hear and obey His voice. Be faithful in the little and hidden areas of serving. This will lead to an increased level of kingdom impact in the future. You can change the world!

It is satisfying enough just to be saved from hell, adopted into the family of God, and used by the Holy Spirit to affect others into eternity. But God promises even more. He promises to generously reward us in heaven for allowing Him to love and serve others through our lives. Everything we do that is initiated and empowered by Him for His glory gets placed into our heavenly bank accounts. Even the smallest acts of kindness done in His name (like giving a cup of cold water to a child), will receive eternal rewards (Psalm 62:11-12; Matthew 5:12, 10:42, 16:27, 25:31-46; 1 Corinthians 3:8; Ephesians 6:8; Revelation 22:12).

Here are some Bible verses that tell about God's desire to use you to change the world:

- Genesis 1:27-31, 2:4-25;
- Matthew 4:17-25,
- Matthew 5:13-16, 6:1-24,
- Matthew 7:7-12, 9:35-38,
- Matthew 10:42, 18:10-14,
- Matthew 25:14-46, 28:18-20;
- Mark 16:15-18;
- Luke 6:46-49, 9:1-6, 10:1-20,
- Luke 11:1-13, 19:11-27;
- John 4:34-38, 14:12-14, 15:1-17;
- Acts 1:8, 5:32;
- Romans 5:17, 8:12-17, 10:9-18,
- Romans 12:3-13, 15:17-19;
- 1 Corinthians 12:1-30, 15:45-49;
- Galatians 3:26-29;
- Ephesians 1:3-14, 2:8-10,
- Ephesians 4:7-16, 6:7-9;
- Philippians 1:6-7;
- 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12;
- 2 Timothy 2:20-21, 3:16-17;
- 1 Peter 2:9-12;
- 2 Peter 1:3-11;
- Revelation 12:11, 22:5.