



**SCATTERED
SERVANTS**

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UNLEASHING THE CHURCH TO BRING LIFE TO THE CITY



*It is our **privilege** as the people of God (**followers** of Jesus) to **love** our cities back to **life**. Much of the church has confused **bringing life** to our cities with “**taking over** our cities **for** God.” In this “**taking for**” worldview (**mindset**), the city is an **enemy** that is approached with a heart of **militancy** and not **mercy**. **Scattered servants** do not look to **take over** their cities but rather to **lay down** their **lives** for their cities. They do this through **washing the feet** of their city by releasing **peace** and **compassion** rather than by taking **dominion** over their city. **Scattered servants partner** with their cities **believing** God for creative **solutions** to the city’s **challenges**. They see the **task** of the **church** as a mission to **rewrite** the **story** of their cities.*

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MESSAGE 6:
LOVING OUR CITY INTO LIFE

REPOSITIONING



As I was on the **road** approaching **Damascus**, about **noon**, a brilliant heavenly **light** suddenly appeared, **flashing** all around me.

As I **fell** to the **ground**, I heard a **voice** say,

"Saul, Saul ... why are you persecuting me?"

I answered, **"Who are you, my Lord (Master)?"** He said to me, **"I am Jesus, the Victorious. I am the one you are persecuting."**

Those who were with me **saw** the brilliant **light**,
but they didn't **hear** the **voice** of the one who **spoke** to me.

So, I asked, **"Lord, what am I to do?"**

And the Lord said to me, **"Get up (Arise) and go into Damascus,**
and there you will be told about all that you are destined to do.

Acts 22:6-21 TPT



LOVE **CITIES INTO **LIFE****



The crowd was **awestruck** and kept saying among themselves, "What is this **new teaching** with such **authority**? With merely a **word** he commands **demons** to **come out** and they **obey** him!"

So, the **reports** (news) about Jesus **spread** like **wildfire** throughout every **community** (city or village) in Galilee. ...

Later in the day, just after the Sabbath ended at sunset, the people kept **bringing** to Jesus **all** who were **sick** and **tormented** by demons, until the **whole village** was crowded **around** the house. ...

The next **morning**, Jesus got up long before **daylight**, left the house while it was **dark**, and made his way to a **secluded** place to give himself to **prayer**. Later, Simon and his friends **searched** for him,

And when they finally tracked him down, they told him,

"Everyone is looking for you – they want you!"

Mark 1:27-28, 32, 35-37 TPT



JESUS' HOPE-FILLED EYES

While *everyone* was looking for Him, Jesus was *looking* ...

- Beyond *addition* to **multiplication**.
- Beyond the *moment* to the **movement**.
- Beyond *gathering* to **scattering**.
- Beyond *some* hearing and believing, to **everyone** ...

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After *this*, the Lord Jesus *formed* thirty-five (36) *teams* among the *other* (than the twelve) *disciples*.
Each team was *two* disciples, *seventy* (72) in all,
And he commissioned (*sent*) them to (*arise* and) *go* ahead of him into *every town* (city) he was about to *visit*.
He *released them* with these instructions:
“The harvest is *huge*. But there are not enough *harvesters* (workers) to bring it in. *As you go*, plead with (*pray to*) the Owner (*Lord*) of the *Harvest* to send out *many* more *workers* (harvesters) into the *harvest fields*.
Now, (*arise*) off you *go*! I am *sending* you ...

Luke 10:1-3a TPT



**THE POSSIBILITY OF
LOVING CITIES INTO LIFE**



*Generous compassion is the **culture** of heaven (kingdom).*

*It is the **sign** that we are **carrying** the **life** of God,
the **indicator** (mark) **His** life is changing **our** lives.*

*The Lord is **gracious** and **compassionate**, and He **ris**es
to show us **compassion**. As He **breathes** His **life** into us,
we build **bigger** hearts for a **better** city.*

*We **live** and **love** beyond ourselves.*

*Although compassion may **start** in a **church** gathering,
it never **stays** in a church gathering (**ecclesia**).*

*Compassion is **too big** to fit in the **building**.*

*It is **too great** to be confined to a **program**.*

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DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY (DBS)



*In the Messiah, **In Christ** (Jesus), God **leads** us from **place** (city) to **place** (city) in one perpetual **victory** parade. Through **us**, he brings (**manifests**) the **knowledge** of Christ. **Everywhere** we go, people **breathe** in the exquisite **fragrance**. Because of **Christ**, we give off a **sweet scent** (aroma) rising to God, which is **recognized** by those on the **way** of **salvation** – an **aroma** redolent with **life**. But those on the **way** to **destruction** treat us more like the **stench** from a rotting **corpse**. This is a terrific **responsibility**. Is anyone **competent** to take it on? No – but at least we don't take God's **word**, water it down, and then take it to the **streets** to sell it **cheap**. We **stand** in Christ's **presence** when we **speak**; God looks us in the face. We get what we say **straight** from **God** and say it ...*

2 Corinthians 2:12-17 MSG

