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- ENGAGING LOSTNESS

"For the Son of Man (Jesus) came to seek and save those who are lost."

Luke 19:10 NLT

"And you know that God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power.

Then Jesus went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him."

Acts 10: 38

PIPSY PEOPLE

HOW TO ENGAGE LOSTNESS

- 1. Shema Living: "Living our lives out loud."
- 2. Sharing God Stories: "Always be prepared ..."
- 3. Finding the POP: "As you go, make disciples ..."
- 4. Entering their "Oikos": "Seed falling on good soil ..."
- 5. Clear Vision & Map: "Where there is no vision ..."
- 6. Stubborn Perseverance: "by persevering ..." THE KINGDOM UNLEASHED

In the Bible there are two occasions when Jesus sent out His disciples into the harvest. In Matthew 10, He sent out the twelve apostles to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. In Luke 10, He sent out seventy others into every city and place where He himself was about to go. In both cases, the ones sent were also the ones who were commanded to pray for the laborers in the harvest. In Jesus' sending of the twelve, they were told to find a "son of peace" or a "worthy household" and remain there and the seventy were told to "remain in the same house ...

Do not go from house to house." ...

Jesus sent His disciples to do what He did: minister with compassion (heal the sick and demonized) and to also proclaim the kingdom of God. And He summarized His instructions this way:

"Freely you have received, freely give." ...

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ACCESS MINISTRY

The reality is that the people of peace are God's pre-positioned agents to bridge the gospel to their family, their friends, or their workplace. This element of Jesus' strategy for engaging lostness is perhaps one of the most significant principles, and also one of the most neglected principles, for entering unreached people groups. Obeying Jesus' commands on this (and note that His words are commands, not suggestions) overcomes historic barriers such as: how to gain access to highly restricted areas, how to overcome cultural barriers and the challenges of contextualizing the gospel. Our experience in Africa now counts approximately 18,000 different people of peace who have opened the doors of their communities for disciple makers.

They are often (but not always) people who are naturally hospitable and welcoming to strangers.

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EXAMPLES OF PEOPLE OF PEACE

- Samaritan women and her town: John 4
- Cornelius and his household: Acts 10
- Lydia and her household: Acts 16
- Philippian jailer and his household: Acts 16
- The Book of Acts records 32 instances of salvation. In 29 of these instances, groups believe together.

"When you enter a town and are not received, go out in the street and say (publicly),
'The only thing we got from you is the dirt (dust) on our feet, and we're giving it back (warning).

Did you have any idea that God's kingdom was right on your doorstep (has come near)?

Sodom will have it better on Judgement Day than the town that rejects you (good news)."

Luke 10:10-12 MSG

The Person of Peace teaching is an entry strategy to communities. In the Great Commission Jesus commanded us to "go". What do you do when we get where we are going? We find the Person of Peace. ... Finding the Person of Peace starts with obedience to Christ and looks for where Christ is about to visit. This is evidenced by the presence of the Person of Peace. If there is no Person of Peace, then you move on. The Person of Peace is found through prayer and service. In our experience, this service is sometimes miraculous, as Luke 10 describes. Often, though, service is as simple as feeding the hungry or helping someone fix a flat tire. In both cases, the disciple-maker freely gives of him or herself. We are told to pray for harvesters. The Person of Peace will be this harvester.

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ANYONE,
ANYWHERE,
ANYTIME
EVANGELISM

3 QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

- 1. Do you practice anyone, anywhere, anytime evangelism? If not, what are the hindrances that hold you back?
- 2. In the Book of Acts there are 29 instances of groups of people (oikos) believing together. What are the three exceptions where individuals were saved?
- 3. What are the characteristics of a person of peace (POP)?
- 4. Define "oikos" and list the advantages of reaching an oikos in comparison with reaching individuals?