Strategy for City Transformation (Part 3)

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Strategy for City Transformation (Review)

What do we mean by "City Transformation"?

By City Transformation we are primarily talking about spiritual transformation resulting in the discipling of large populations of the city, and eventually leading to transformation of all spheres of daily life.

Strategy for City Transformation (Review) 1, City transformation will take place when every believer is involved in City transformation.

2, City transformation will take place when every believer is transformed, equipped and empowered to engage in city transformation.

3, City transformation will take place when every believer engages in city transformation starting with their circle of influence.

4, City transformation will take place when we combine efforts into a strategic movement that is planned and executed with divine wisdom and leading of the Spirit.

5, City transformation is primarily a spiritual effort and hence we must begin by leveraging our spiritual resources given to us in Christ.

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Personal Lifestyle
Communicating The Gospel
Demonstrations of love and power
Prayer & Intercession with Fasting

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4, Prayer & Intercession with Fasting The correct way to bring about change is to (a)repent on behalf of the people for the prevailing sins and (b)Intercede for God to remove principalities and powers that dominate that region, and (c)establish God's presence through worship, acts of righteousness.

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Our circle of influence encompasses at least 2 areas : 1, Our social sphere of influence 2, Our geographic sphere of influence

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"Seven mountains" : The mountain of Family, The mountain of Religion, The mountain of Business, The mountain of Government, The mountain of Arts & Entertainment, The mountain of Education, The mountain of Media

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"Seven mountains" :

To see our city transformed, we must have believers positioned in all of these mountains - being salt and light - having influence and impact for the Kingdom of God.

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Isaiah 2:2,3 2 Now it shall come to pass in the latter days That the mountain of the LORD's house Shall be established on the top of the mountains, And shall be exalted above the hills; And all nations shall flow to it.

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Isaiah 2:2,3 3 Many people shall come and say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, And we shall walk in His paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, And the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

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The "Mountain of the Lord's House" used by Isaiah and Micah 4:1,2 and that in Hebrews 12:22 ("Mount Zion") all indicate the term "mountain" is used of an assembly of God's people - the House of the Lord.

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Four Step Process to transform your sphere of influence :

EXPLORE, ENGAGE, EVANGELIZE, EQUIP

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1, EXPLORE your sphere of influence

'Spy out the land' - see what the terrain is like. Identify the challenges and the opportunities.

prepare yourself for the challenges and position yourself for the opportunities

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1, EXPLORE your sphere of influence

The original owner of all things (wealth, natural resources, knowledge, art, music, etc.) in its undefiled, pure state is God.

Psalm 24:1 The earth is the LORD's, and all its fullness. The world and

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Psalm 50:10 For every beast of the forest is Mine, And the cattle on a thousand hills.

Haggai 2:8 'The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine,' says the LORD of hosts.

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1, EXPLORE your sphere of influence

God has provided for the redemption (recovery and restoration) of all things unto Himself - including all the mountains of society.

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1, EXPLORE your sphere of influence

Colossians 1:16-20 16 For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. <u>All things</u> were created through Him and for

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Colossians 1:16-20 17 And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. 18 And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the

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Colossians 1:16-20 19 For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell, 20 and <u>by Him to reconcile all things</u> to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His

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1, EXPLORE your sphere of influence

You are His agent, His ambassador, His minister, to see the restoration of things in your sphere (mountain) to Himself.

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2, ENGAGE your mountain of influence with the 5 tools we have discussed:

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John 12:31,32 31 Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out. 32 And I, if I am lifted up from the earth. will draw all peoples to

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3, EVANGELIZE - lead people into a commitment to follow the Lord Jesus Christ

Receive from the Holy Spirit strategies for evangelism for your mountain/sphere of influence

Don't be ashamed of the Gospel of lesus Christ

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4, EQUIP - empower new believers to become disciples of Jesus and to be transformation agents for the Kingdom of God.

Jesus told us to make disciples teaching them to observe all things that He commanded us (Matthew 28:18-20).

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Receive from the Holy Spirit strategies to disciple people in your mountain/sphere of influence

Small groups. Life Groups. Invite to

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