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The Catalyst Church: Be a Blessing

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"Catalyst" according to Merriam-Webster
--an agent that provokes or speeds significant change or action

What does a Christ-centered community look like?

- Christ-centered individuals
- Christ-centered family
- Christ-centered church
- Christ-centered businesses
- Christ-centered government
- Christ-centered schools

Matthew 28:19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations

Is a Christ-centered community possible?

Psalms 86:9 All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, O Lord; They will bring glory to your name.

Isaiah 2:2 In the last days the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established as the highest of the mountains; it will be exalted above the hills, and all nations will stream to it.

Isaiah 9:7 There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace.

Who's in charge?

Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

2 Samuel 7:28 Sovereign Lord, you are God!

Psalms 24:1 The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.

Romans 13:1 The authorities that exist have been established by God.

How has God called us to bring about a Christ-centered community?

- Blessing: Be a blessing.
- Truth: Proclaim the truth. Live/Demonstrate
- Leadership: Provide leadership.
- Gospel: The gospel saves.

Be a Blessing!

Luke 6:35-36 God is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

1 John 4:19 We love because he first loved us.

Matthew 5:16 Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.

Hebrews 6:10 God is not unjust: he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.

In the environments you are in...

Are you taking or giving?

Are you complaining or encouraging?

Are Contributing or consuming?

Are you blessing or cursing?

Are you making a positive investment or a leaving behind a negative impact?

Are you causing things to grow or to shrink?

Are you causing problems or solving them?

Be a Blessing!

How can you bring energy to the situation?

How can you bring value to the people around you?

How can you make your environment better?

How can you help those around you succeed?

How can you leave a ripple effect of blessing in your trail?

How can you help your company be better?

How can you help your boss be more successful?

The greatest blessing in human history lives inside of you...Jesus!