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What is Community Plan: Rebuilding the Ruins 2014 and Beyond?

I recently met with Missiologist Randolph Sperger here in my office in Broadway. I have known Randy for years. I last saw him in Panama and in he walks to our Saturday morning Bible study in Timberville Virginia. After our Bible study time we met and prayed further. Randy showed me something that has been on his heart. My heart saw and resonated with what he laid out. Randy showed how most of our cities are devoted toward a culture of death. He explained that this was never the purpose of the city. It was to be a launching and sending unit for the healing of the nations. God's plan has always been to take the Gospel to the Gentile nations and then the end would come. Here in these last days God is fulfilling His plan in that we experience a taste of the Heavenly Jerusalem. The City we see in the pages of Revelation hint of a grand city whereby there are 12 foundations and 12 gates. Where the Lamb is the light and He is the source of healing for the nations. Where the nations bring a piece of themselves into the Holy City that comes down from Heaven.

My main concern with the body of Christ these days is a lack of vision. The Bible states that God has things planned for us to walk in. I want to walk in these things. And I am sure many others do to. Our family recently finished watching the Truth Project as put out by Focus in the Family. It was well done and unveiled how the dominant culture of our time is Secular Humanism. This is no surprise to many. What this religion does is it makes us useless in the sphere of influence. Since the mode of thinking has changed, thinking in a Christian manner is now the goal toward transformative behavior. So how is this done?

Well according to Randy and his understanding of the Bible every city has gates and thus gatekeepers. One way to look at each city is to locate 12 main spheres or gates and once these gates are on their way toward transformation the people of God are sent out with renewed passion to evangelize in their purpose. And since all cities have the same 12 gates there is a discipling process in this transformation. To enter these twelve gates one must first enter the True Gate, Jesus Christ. The twelve gates are as follows:

1. **Institutional Church**
2. **Theology/Philosophy**
3. **Politics and Government**
4. **Law**
5. **Stewardship/Creation**
6. **Business/Economics**
7. **Family**
8. **Education**
9. **Science/Technology**
10. **Arts, Literature and Music**
11. **Physical Health and Sports**
12. **Media and Communication**

The body of Christ needs to impact all twelve of these gates for the Kingdom. A call to find the strategic influencers in every city is the plan. Prayer, fasting and missions shifts to effect these influencers and disciple them so they may in turn disciple others.

At the heart of many cities is the work of Ra the one who brings a culture of death. In 2 Kings 2 we read of how the waters were bad (Ra) and how they were restored by the Word of the Lord and the agency of salt. The body of Christ is to be salt and light in all cities. If one were to take a survey they would find that in most cities these 12 gates are given over to Satanic gatekeepers who perpetuate a culture of death.

A goal of the body of Christ is to take out the Satanic gatekeepers through nonconventional means of the Spirit. Our weapons of warfare are not carnal but spiritual. As Secular Humanism is being attacked at every level of each gate a process of cleansing and healing takes place on a deeper level. This is where spiritual mapping takes place behind the scenes locating the trespasses that need cleansing and confession. Once this process is underway unity will carry the day toward the glory of God.

Simple Framework for Rebuilding the Ruins

It all begins with these four things in prayer and desperation of a move of the Spirit.

Revival
Repentance
Confession of sin
Missions= sending in obedience to God.

The heart of any move of the Spirit in our land is toward revival, or life. This begins with a spirit of repentance. An authentic and verifiable turn around to go the other way. It requires confession of sin and reconciliation to others and quest for forgiveness. The fruit becomes a unifying force sent out into the harvest fields on mission with Jesus into the towns and cities.

Congregations in a town or city begin to pray for a new path for renewal and a new vehicle for His love to flow to a broken world (Richard Showalter). These should include determining one of the gates you are called to go through in accordance to 2 Corinthians 10:12-18.

The mission emphasis is toward sending people into the twelve gates to become strategic influencers. The process found in Acts 13 can be followed. Once identified these individuals commit to three things:

- Be committed follower of Jesus, accountable to a congregation and become a strategic influencer
- Attack the gates in accordance to 2 Corinthians 10:3-6 discover the organizing principles (Colossians 2:8) and overcoming them by the power of the Spirit
- Repair and rebuild the ruins in accordance to 2 Corinthians 4:1-4

Now that a town or city has a plan on how to reach these people to transform the gates a further cleansing and healing process can begin to gain traction through the discipline of spiritual mapping. We have found at the center of most cities is Ra who presides over a culture of death. What has become is a land that aborts the works of the Spirit. And closely connected is the presence of the Masonic Lodge that bridges the culture of death into the church, family, government and business gates of the city. The Masonic element makes idolatrous worship more unacceptable to the Kingdom devoted person.

Further cleansing can take place as these three areas are discovered if present:

- Blood on the land through the shedding of innocent blood still judges the modern day inhabitants without them realizing it.
- Acts of idolatry unifying the city.
- Past inhabitants making pacts with the spirit world regarding physical protection, fertility of provision and assurance of afterlife portal.

The Result

What has taken place over the recent decades is a church that is relatively useless in its sphere of influence. One of the foremost barriers has become the secular humanist teaching has blinded the eyes to look for the things of God and become more spiritually in tune with the Spirit. We have not become equipped to discern which gate to go through, how to attack it, how to repair and rebuild and ultimately how to influence others for the purpose of the Kingdom of God. Jesus said to His disciples the Kingdom is now within you by the presence of the Holy Spirit. He instructs them to wait until the Spirit came upon them and then they were to go out into all the world.