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This week was fun. We had a big event yesterday. We played some football, had some games at the park at central park and some candy for the kids or anybody who played football. Soar. I saw Brian limping in here this morning. Yeah, no, it was good. It, it was a great game. We had a lot of fun, a little sore, but I'm glad for those of you guys who took a part in that, because the community is a real big part of what we do here. We want you to get plugged in. Okay. So this is also a really big, weak in the life of our nation, right? We know that this is a big week it's election week. So we want everybody to be praying in our church. We are commanded in first Timothy to pray for Kings those in authority. So since we're commanded to do it, we got to do it for us. It's not a King, it's a president that we can vote in or out every four years and that's coming up.

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So we have some special things. Not only do we want to encourage everybody to do it, we are going to have a special time of prayer and just a second, but we actually have a special prayer time. This Tuesday at 1:00 PM, we have a prayer for the nation. This Tuesday at 1:00 PM, Kenton Chan. One of our elders here is going to be leading that in our parking lot. So we want you to put that on your schedule, plan on it. Even if you're watching online, Hey, just come at 1:00 PM. One to one 30, we are going to have a group of people praying in the parking lot, distanced with mass song. We're all going to be praying for that half hour. I want you to commit to do that. If we can't physically be here, maybe even just say, Hey, I'm going to set that on my alarm. I'm going to pray for that half hour for our nation. We're going to do that. We encourage you to do that. Also our prayer team is starting to meet again on Monday nights. Now, Monday night over zoom.

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OK. Our prayer team is great because I always say, if anything good happens in our churches. 'cause the prayer team was praying for it really. I mean, it's the truth. It really is. So I want you guys to join our prayer team. They're gonna be starting up this Monday night on zoom. We'll get the link out to you if you're interested and be looking for that. And they'll be meeting every single Monday night to pray for our nation. It will this week. And then I'm sure it will be praying for all sorts of other stuff. So let's take this moment right now. Let's all just pray. Let's let's bow our heads and let's pray for our country. Lord God, you have commanded us to pray for our country to pray, especially for those in authority. So we pray this week. Not only that Donald Trump would finish his term in office well, but that whoever is going to be president elected this Tuesday Lord, that you would put the right person in office.

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We believe that you are sovereign even over Kings, that you put Kings into power and you tear them down. And Lord God. So we ask that you would put the right person into power. This Tuesday, that would lead our nation. Well, we pray that you'd help our whole nation exit out of this coronavirus pandemic, keep people healthy and protect our nation. And Lord God just provide with those who are in authority, whether it's in governmental institutions are schools or in the medical field, Lord God that you'd give them wisdom to know how to interact with, to, to figure out which type of policies to enact and procedures to implement. Lord, give them wisdom. We pray Lord for our nation to whether there is unrest, where there is a conflict where there's

even violence.

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We pray that you bring peace. Use us as agents have a piece in this world to bring reconciliation to the world, that we would be the peacemakers because blessed that are the peacemakers Lord, God. We also pray. We that half of our nation either way is going to be quite upset. Come Tuesday, that they'll feel like the wrong person got voted in and everybody else is foolish for voting for them. But I pray that you'd make us agents apiece with that as well that we would show kindness and love to those. We disagree with even our political enemies. Would you make us the light to this world to be different than the rest of the world, not with animosity, but with love. And that that love would cover over so many multitudes of sin.

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I pray that you'd use us and bring peace to our nation and prosperity as well. And we pray this in Jesus name. Amen. Amen. All right. Well, this is the final week and our series at our core, the end of the message. We'll show you a little promo for the next series coming up. It's really good. You're going to want to come back next week for sure. But this add our course here is we've been going through our seven core values that we are now unveiling. Some of them are brand new. Some of them are just adapted, but this last one is perhaps the most confusing as I've told other people, too, people think of all sorts of things about it. And I realized I'm gonna have to teach a lot in this message to you guys are going to have to focus, okay, pay attention as we teach it this week, really, maybe take some notes so that we understand what it means to Multiplication Mindset. But before we dive in there, I want to just do a quick review.

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So we do have all these seven core values with, of course, you're going to continue to talk about them in the weeks and months and years ahead. But that first core value that we went over in this series was transformational teaching that we teach God's word accurately and relevantly to transform lives. Second, a Sawyer trap, our associate pastor, who you saw up here, he taught about a vibrant community that we are real with each other to grow together. That's why community groups are so important here. Get in a community group, our community, this group this week, even though we were over zoom, I felt like really opened up and we were able to talk about some real cool things. And it was really cool that we can open up, even though we are not physically together though, some groups still are physically together, but we are real with each other. That's when we were this week, really with each other to grow together.

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Next, we talked about bold outreach outreach that we are boldly sent to seek and loved. The last we've got to be bold. We've got to stand out this Christmas. We have a really cool, bold outreach that we've been starting to work on this last week. I'm excited about it. And I think you guys are going to be to, so can we get excited for that? We are going to be bold this year and reach people, even in a pandemic. Next, we talked about generous living that we gladly give our time talents and treasures to serve God and one another next

aerial and Sawyer. Co-taught a about next gen and the investment that we prioritize family's and the next generation to make disciples who make disciples. And finally, or I'm sorry, last week we talked about passionate worship.

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There's one more passionate worship that we worship Jesus authentically to glorify God and captivate the unchurched. And today we're going to be looking at our Multiplication Mindset that we pursue Multiplication over addition to see the kingdom of God grow exponentially. So what is that? Multiplication Mindset what do we mean by it? You guys remember Billy Graham. I hope that you guys too, one of the most important Christian figures of the last a hundred years of our lifetime, I had just the privilege of going to hear him speak at one of the very last times he ever preached. And it was in 2006, right after hurricane Katrina. I went with a team of people from college, from CSU down to clean up in new Orleans after hurricane Katrina.

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And then he had a big rally that week. And I went, and even though he was in a wheelchair, man, it was powerful. Billy Graham was just a phenomenal preacher. And he shared just a simple, good news of Jesus that Jesus Christ came to die for our sins to make a way to us, to have peace with God and forgiveness and eternal life. And it's such a powerful message that tens and hundreds and thousands and millions of people accepted Christ because Billy Graham sharing the good news with them in arenas. And he had such an impact on our nation and on our world. He died of course two years ago. But one of the things that a lot of people don't know about Billy Graham is that early on in his ministry, he's in the very early fifties, he actually was concerned.

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In fact, he would have dreams. He would have nightmares at night about the people that he led to Christ. What happened to them after that? Not that where they would be fraternity, but what would happen for the rest of their lives. And there was a story. And I read about this years ago, I tried to track it down this week and I couldn't find it. And maybe somebody can help me out with that. But when Billy Graham was early on in his ministry, he was in England for a big event. And while he was there, his driver was driving into the event and he shared the gospel, of course, with his driver. I mean, that's what Billy Graham would do, right? And at the end of the drive of this, this driver accepted the good news of Jesus Christ became a follower of Jesus. Awesome. Billy Graham led this guy into eternity while the very next year, same time Billy Graham came to another event in England.

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And as he was driving into the van, of course he's shared the good news with his driver. Cause that's what he does told the good news to this driver. And at the end of it, he said, well, would you like to accept this good news and become a follower of Jesus? And the driver says, yes, just like I did last year.

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Yeah. Right. Okay.

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And it turns out this was the exact same driver. Billy Graham had a year prior. And so Billy Graham starting to ask him some questions. Well, tell me what's changed in your life. Over the last year,

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The guy said, well, nothing.

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I mean, now he knows that he's going to spend eternity with Jesus, but nothing had changed in his life. He hadn't got plugged in and Church, he hadn't been growing in his faith,

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Reading the Bible. So Billy Graham really

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Was praying about it, worried about a concern, having these nightmares, what are happening to these people who are coming to faith. And that's when he reached out to another guy named Dawson Trotman and he had to beg Dawson Trotman three different times. He pleaded with him before Dawson Trotman would come help him because Dawson Trotman kinda did the exact opposite of what Billy Graham was doing at that point. Billy Graham of course preached two thousands of people in huge crowds, huge arenas, but Dawson Trotman would focus on one or two are just a few people. And he would spend a lot of time with these people, praying with them, encouraging them, teaching them how to read the Bible for themselves, how to memorize scripture. And then what he would do is he'd changed. Take those people and lead them to lead others so that they started to do the same with other people.

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He started in an organization now called the navigators and it was an organization. I was actually a part of in college that helped me grow in my faith. And he also helped others in the first series of Barry Brandt was here in the navigators. We're a huge in his ministry, Cathy Buchanan, who was a part of our, Church worked on staff of the navigators for a while because this ministry has said, Hey, we're not going to focus on the crowds. We're gonna focus on a few. We're going to have a small. And what happened is they have actually had just as big, perhaps bigger of an influence in our world than Billy Graham did. In fact, Billy Graham knew that, and that's what he us in trauma or in the early fifties, come help me with what they called. Followup people have now accepted. Jesus' what do they do next? And the navigators helped develop materials for the Billy Graham evangelistic association to make them even more effective leading people to Christ.

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And even just a couple of years ago, we, we baptized Scarlet, who is a part of our church who serves a lot of times in the booth because Scarlet had found Jesus through the Billy Graham evangelistic association online. And they got her plugged in here, which is cool, right? So that they are doing that. And now they're saying, Hey, we've got to take people, not just to accept Christ and make heaven more crowded, which is awesome. We want to do that, but let's also help them to grow so that they can lead others

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To follow Jesus.

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See, that's the Multiplication Mindset at work Dawson. Trotman the founder of the navigators once said that the primary fruit of a Christian is another Christian. That's the goal. It's not just, Hey, your in heaven, good. You can live the rest of your life. However you want. Now it's to grow because following Jesus, not only is the fullest life, but that you can help others find that fullest life and eternity when they die, the primary fruit of a Christian is another Christian. And we want to develop that Mindset in every single person in our church. We want this mindset to be in every single person that every person who is following Jesus sees their role as to help somebody else follow Jesus in this Multiplication Mindset of course is going to go even bigger than that. When we really infuse it into the DNA of it,

1 (10m 57s):

Who we are as the church. We're gonna to talk about that today

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To do that, we are going to look at one verse. Really one verse today are a primary vers. And I think it is so important for this concept of Multiplication, how it's lived out. And that is second Timothy two too. So if you have a Bible, go ahead and get there. This is a great verse to highlight memorize. If you're watching online, open that up in another tab, please do that. Or just a lot in your physical Bible while you're watching on a TV or whatever. And the second Timothy, two, two, and I would just want to read this to you. It says, and the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses in trust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach

1 (11m 35s):

Others. Okay. Simple

0 (11m 37s):

Verse. It's almost like a verse that we often skip over to get to the, the meat of what the teaching is in the Bible. But this verse is so important because what we see there is the Multiplication Mindset this letter is of course written by Paul. So when it says the things you have heard me say, this is Paul, he is talking and Paul

is writing this letter too,

1 (11m 56s):

Timothy. So he's the you Timothy. Right?

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Right. And this letter is one of two letters that Paul wrote to Timothy and Timothy was a young man who Paul took a long to train and mentor him. It took him along on his missionary journeys. As Paul went around, what is modern day Turkey and modern day Greece and into Europe and to Italy. And Paul took Timothy along on these journeys to learn from him. And then Paul took Timothy and put him in Ephesus to help lead a church. There is why he wrote first Timothy in second Timothy to train this young. Pastor how to be a pastor. I particularly loved these two letters.

1 (12m 30s):

Great. So Paul,

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In writing to young Timothy has to be a leader and he is saying, Hey, the things you have heard me say

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And trust

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To reliable people who will also be able to teach others. What's amazing about this verse is that we see four different generations. In one verse,

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We see the Paul is teaching Timothy. Timothy is supposed to find a reliable people to teach. And they are,

0 (12m 55s):

It has to be able and equipped to teach others. Do you see that? And I think Paul could have kept going, right? So that those others can teach others who could teach others, who could teach others. It's supposed to keep going on and on and on and on. And that's the Multiplication Mindset that what you learn is not for you, what you learn is to be taught to others. What you receive is not for you to be passed on to another person. Everything we get is for someone else. Okay? And this takes a major change in our normal human Mindset because our normal Mindset as human beings, let's be honest. It is. It's about me.

1 (13m 34s):

Right? And it's about me, but What

0 (13m 37s):

Paul is teaching what Jesus taught was. It's not about me. It's about the people that we will impact and who they will impact and turn. So I just want you to say that, say that out loud. It's not about me. If you're watching online, type that in. Okay. In the comments section, it's not about me. Cause it's not, it's not about me. It's about who I'm going to pass it on to the thing that I've learned so that I can teach others. Anything that I've received is it so I can use it to give to others.

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So what it's about?

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So this means our mindset needs to completely change. What we normally do as Christians is I want to go to a church with a great preacher. Good. I hope that's why he picked this. Church right. Okay. No, no, no, but that's not the question we should be asking or it shouldn't be, is he a great preacher or is she a great preacher? It should be. Or is he an equipping me to do the ministry I'm called to do is the preacher equipping me to do what I'm called to do, right. So that I can take it and pass it on to someone else. It, it, it shouldn't be, am I being fed? Ooh, this is what a lot of Christians say. Oh, I just wasn't fed at that. Church okay. I want you to be fed. That's my role as a shepherd to feed you, but I hope you will be fed so that you can feed someone else.

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So that's the question. Am I being fed in a way that I can feed others?

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Hey, it's not about me.

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It shouldn't ever stop with me. It shouldn't be a col-de-sac. It should be a connection. Okay. Cul-de-sacs those are comfy. Everybody wants to live in the coldest sacks in the suburbs, right? Because they are safe. Not as much through traffic. So not as much crime, not as much people coming through. It's safe. It's quiet. Okay. Cul-de-sacs or not what we're supposed to be. We're supposed to be connectors. It's a little more dangerous, a little less safe, but we are not called the SACS. We are our connection points.

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We are not the,

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The conclusion we are rather conduits.

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Okay. I see this is supposed to be passed on to be Pastor

0 (15m 33s):

And to be passed on. And this is part of the Multiplication Mindset there is a pivotal, pivotal night in my early ministry. When I was in Nebraska, you know, before coming here to be your pastor. I was a pastor for five years in small town, Nebraska, incredible church. We got there and it was 60 people over 60. I'm exaggerating a little, but barely. Okay. 60 people over 60, it was an older church and they realized, Hey, we've got to teach the younger generation. So Melissa, my wife she's upstairs watching right now, but she helps, you know, get our band started. 'cause we went from him and no projector, right? Just like an organ and piano, two having a band. So we are doing some things to reach the next generation. And one of the things that I did early on my first year was to lead a young men's Bible study.

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And I pulled like the three young men that I found in our church at the time. I'm like, you're coming. And they weren't there when we first got there. But okay, now we've got three guys here in my Bible study. We went out in the town. I found a few more, everybody I could find, I was invited to this young men's Bible study. I'm going to reach the next generation. Right. And I remember it was like maybe the third week of this,

1 (16m 36s):

The Bible study. One guy showed up what a failure

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Here. I am doing everything I can to reach people. The young, young people in the next generation, I've got one guy who shows up to read the Bible with me. I was so disappointed. I was so discouraged. And I sat there. I didn't even open up the Bible so that we could do what we are going to do it. We just started chatting and talking. But I started talking to this young guy, David, and he was actually the same age as me. And we started talking about life and about things. And we started talking about faith. And at the end of this conversation, I said, well, David, have you ever put your faith in Jesus Christ?

1 (17m 10s):

This is your Lord and savior. And he said, no. I said, okay,

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But if you want to, yeah, that's the question you're supposed to have to write. Well, do you want to, what's stopping you. And he said, well, I don't know. Let's do it. I'm ready. I was like, okay. So I gave him this simple prayer. It's a simple prayer that to confess your sins as Jesus, to forgive you of your sins and ask the Holy spirit into your heart, that you might follow Jesus for the rest of your life. It's the same prayer. I've lead

people through here. Dozens,

1 (17m 36s):

Hundreds of times.

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And I had him repeat that prayer after me, you know, gave him spoonfed and the words to pray. And he prayed that prayer and accepted Christ. And it was amazing, but what's even more amazing is that even though I had given him every word to say in that prayer at the end of the prayer almost instinctively, he started praying that his wife would come to faith as well. He just knew that what he had received was too good to keep from himself. And he started praying for his wife, Sonny. And what's amazing is in that next year that I was fortunate enough to baptize, not only David, but his wife Sunday as well.

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Yeah.

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And they started inviting their friends and family members to church. I was, did funerals for the family and was able to share the gospel with more people. And even now, David is one of the leaders in that Church in Nebraska texted him this week. 'cause he knew right in the beginning that this is too good to keep for myself. I want other people to have it. I want to pass it on. And that was so pivotal that night, that by all accounts would be a failure. The pastor had one guy show up.

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It was actually what I was supposed to do.

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And it was maybe one of the most impactful nights of my ministry there in Nebraska C. That's the thing that when we realized that we've got to go small to go big that's part of Multiplication, but we've got to focus on a few people, have the mindset say, Hey, I'm going to focus on this person. I'm going to be intentional in this person's life or in these few people's lives. And I'm going to focus on them and I'm going to care about them. Love them, teach them, encourage them so that they will go pass on what I have given them to others. When we do that, that is the Multiplication Mindset and it will have an astronomical impact.

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That's why Paul said

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The things you've heard me say, Timothy, I know you're just a young guy. I know this brand new fledgling

faith of Christianity, but you'd teach it to reliable people and they will be in turn empowered to teach others. And when you do that, it's going to transform the world. And guess what

1 (19m 33s):

It did it did. It's the Multiplication Mindset at work. Okay.

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Now, as I've talked about this, I realized that it's kinda difficult to figure out exactly what this Multiplication Mindset is. So I have a, just a way to differentiate it because I feel like as Christians, there are three different types of mindsets. The first one is the retention. Mindset the retention. Mindset I'm going to have what I have and I'm going to keep it. I'm not going to lose it. I'm going to hold on to it. The retention mindset is good. We wanna keep what we received. We don't want to lose it. Retention Mindset is good. The second Mindset is the addition. Mindset I'm going to add to it. I'm going to add to it that's even better than the retention. Mindset right. Then the Multiplication Mindset is I'm going to put it to work so that it multiplies even beyond what I can do.

0 (20m 20s):

Okay. Then there's the retention. Mindset the addition. Mindset and Multiplication Mindset we see this in the realm of money. I think very easily say that you've got a call from a lawyer and said, Hey, your long loss, great aunt left you a million dollars. You're pretty excited. Right? You're saying, I'm going to make sure that I don't waste this money. I'm going to save it. I'm going to put it in a savings account and I'm going to retain every single one of these dollars so that I have it when I retire. Okay. That's the retention. Mindset it's actually good. Right? It's a much better than wasting it. All right. So you put it in the savings account after 30 years, if you haven't touched it, haven't messed with it. How much money?

1 (20m 58s):

Right. And a half or \$1 million. Okay.

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Has it grown? It hasn't shrunk or it might be a little less because of inflation. Right? But you have your million dollars, right? That's retention. Mindset, that's good.

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Better than wasting it.

0 (21m 11s):

The addition of Mindset says, Hey, I've received a million dollars, but I'm still young. I can keep working and I can add to it. So I'm going to work hard. I'm not only going to retain the million dollars, but I'm going to start adding a thousand dollars a month for the next 30 years. Do you know how much money you'd have after 30

years of adding to it?

1 (21m 28s):

Is that \$1.5 million. Okay. Yeah.

0 (21m 32s):

You're a million dollars has grown by 50%. Addition is better than the retention, right? It's pretty obvious. The Multiplication Mindset says though, no, I want to go to work. I wanted to grow even more. So what they'll do is not only add, not only retain, so they're gonna keep their million dollars not dip into it. They're going to add to it, their savings a thousand dollars a month. And I'm going to put it to work. I'm going to invest it in the stock market. So say you are able to get a 5% return on that money that you were putting in for 30 years. Do you know how much money you'd have

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After 30 years, \$5 million,

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1 million. It will have grown five fold, 500%

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Growth is the young

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People. This is not just a lesson in investing. Okay? Although that's good too. But the point is we see it clearly with money, write to retain. It is good to add is better and to multiply. It's the best that's in the money world. What about in the business world say, you're like, I want to start a business. And I love cheeseburgers who doesn't right. I'm going to be the best cheeseburger there is around. I know exactly the ratio of meat to fat. I know how to smash it on the grill. So you get the right amount of grease on that burger put the right cheese, man. I got the best cheeseburgers in town. If you start serving on people, love them. You grow your business and you start making a million dollars a year in revenue. That's a great business, right?

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The retention Mindset says, I'm going to make sure I hold on to these customers. I treat them well. I always have the best cheeseburger. That's the same. Every single time you retain your customers. So that 30 years from now, you're still making a million dollars a year.

1 (23m 4s):

That's good.

0 (23m 7s):

The addition Mindset says, well, if I have one restaurant, that's making a million dollars with this size, have a dining room. What if I doubled the size of my dining room? I add to it because then I can add customers. In addition, Mindset says, if I double my restaurant, I can have double the amount of customers. So they do that. They're effective. They do it. Great. It costs a little money upfront, but now they're making \$2 million a year in revenue. That's a good, a great business. Isn't it? You have just doubled your income addition Mindset is better

1 (23m 36s):

Than the retention Mindset but

0 (23m 37s):

Now the Multiplication Mindset says, well, what if I can make \$2 million a year or having expanded my dining room in this one restaurant? What if I then start another restaurant after five years? And then after that five years later, you're like, those two can now become four can become eight. It can become 16. And every five years, if you do that at the end of the 30 years, you have 32 restaurant making \$2 million. Each you are now making \$64 million in revenue.

1 (24m 5s):

That's the best right

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Now, as I bring it into the business world, a lot of you are thinking well, yeah, but that's really hard to do. It's really challenging. It creates a bunch of hurdles. Of course it does. And that's why most people don't do the Multiplication Mindset, it's the same thing. And the spiritual

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World, that's hard.

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It is challenging. There's all sorts of speed bumps and things, stopping things in a way. And that's what people don't do it,

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But that's what we are called to do. Let's do it

0 (24m 32s):

About it. Just in the realm of evangelism. That word evangelism means leading someone to faith. Evangelists means good news, giving somebody the good news. Now the accept, it they've come to faith.

That's evangelism. So evangelism, you see one person say they are an incredible evangelist. They're a Billy Graham level. And they're said, what I'm going to do is make a commitment that I'm going to, Lead one person to Christ every single day, every day of the week, every day of the year, okay. 365 people come to faith for this evangelist. That's way better than retention because the retention is just stay with the one Christian they're already is right. Hey, the addition of now is adding 365 people a year after 30 years, they are in our 11,000 people who have come to faith. So this one evangelist

1 (25m 12s):

Incredible right fire. If any, one of us had that impact, we would just, I mean, wow, okay. 11,000 people. That's incredible.

0 (25m 21s):

But what if someone took a Multiplication Mindset and they said, what I'm going to do is I'm just going to focus on one person a year. I'm going to focus on this one person. I'm going to train them. I'm going to love him. I'm going to encourage them. I'm going to teach in the Bible. I'm going to memorize scripture. And at the end of the one year, they're going to be able now to lead another person in the next year to do the same thing. And then that next year, of course, you can find a new person and that person has someone. So you go from one to two,

1 (25m 43s):

Two to four to eight to 16, right? You're growing like that.

0 (25m 48s):

Do you know how many people would've come to faith? After 30 years of that focused? Multiplication Mindset 1 billion people. Four more years.

1 (25m 59s):

It is the entire population of the globe would be followers of Jesus.

0 (26m 6s):

The 11,000 is good, but a billion

1 (26m 10s):

Is the best one.

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The agent Mindset, that's why someone like Dawson Trotman can have an enormous impact, even though most of you probably had never heard his name, unless you've heard me talk about it. What were you in the navigators? The point is, is that when you do that and I have this Multiplication Mindset, it might seem small

at first, But it makes so much bigger of an impact from generation to generation to generation, as it continues to pass on and be passed on that's the Multiplication Mindset at work. And that's what we want to instill in our Church that single one of us says, it's not just about me. It's about the person I'm going to pass it on to. And then I'm going to make sure that they are able to pass it on to someone else.

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Herschel Hobbs. The great Pastor once said that the work of evangelism is never complete until the one evangelize becomes an evangelizer.

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So I have

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Two questions that I think every person should be able to ask themselves. If we really get this Multiplication Mindset, it's the question. You're going to ask yourself with the rest of your life. One, who am I taking personal responsibility for, for their spiritual growth? Who, who is your one person that you're taking personal responsibility

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For? Seriously,

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Every single one of us. There's not a single Christian who cannot take personal responsibility for one other person. And I really want to encourage parents and grandparents to think beyond your family as well. You should focus on your family, but who's the one person may be outside of your family. What If each one of us have just one person. And I think most of us could do three or five, but let's start with one. Cause if you aim for five, you might not get any, right. Let's just start with one. Who's the one person that I'm going to take responsibility for their spiritual wife, until in the second question. When do I know I'm done? When that person can lead another person when I have a spiritual grandchild. So I'm going to take personal responsibility for someone until they are at the point where they are taking personal responsibility

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In their spiritual growth. Do you guys see this, those two?

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Have I taken spiritual response or sorry, personal responsibility for someone's spiritual growth.

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And then have they been able to do the same? Okay. That's when we know when we've

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Compost, that's the wind. When we see that, what happened when we, when I see my friend, David helping his wife, Sonny, and then they're friends or coming to faith, you know, that's what we're talking about. Taking personal responsibility for someone until they can take personal responsibility for another person.

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That's the goal. That's the Multiplication Mindset, you know, we want to do that as a Church

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As a church. What we wanna do is multiply disciples. People who follow Jesus. We want disciples to become disciple makers, every single one of them, every single one of you, we want to take Multiplication of disciple makers. We want to have Multiplication of leaders here. So then when we raise up leaders for ministry, it's not like, Oh, we got that spot plug. No, so that they can actually raise up another leader so that now we can have two ministries. Okay. What we see that, especially in community groups, we have our community groups. We want them to grow. We want to add people to our community groups. Right. But then once they get pretty big, we're like, okay, what do we do now? We multiply them. We don't divide them here. Okay. But we ask somebody in that community group. Now it goes, start a new one, or take a couple people from that community group and start a new community group.

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We have now multiplied the community group. And now we can have an even bigger impact, right? It's multiplied its effectiveness. We multiply community groups. We multiply leaders. We multiply ministries. We multiply missionaries. Do you know as a Church okay. Pre COVID. We were averaging 350 to 375 in worship attendance on a Sunday. It's awesome. We've had some growth here. What's really cool. Is that right now we have six different missionaries who consider this their home.

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Church did you realize that two of them? Yeah.

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Right now, Kenton and Erin Chan or raising the funds so that they can get to Bolivia full time. And I hope you guys all will reach out and, and support them. We have raised are giving to all of those full-time missionaries this year. And we want to just continue to increase that giving we're doing that. We want to increase church planting to because if our church can make an impact, what if we had more churches like this that had a Multiplication Mindset and we've done that a little bit now in the past, what we want to do it even more we've quadrupled the amount of money we are giving to church planting this year. We want that to only continue

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Because it's so important

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To have more churches, more disciples, more leaders, more missionaries. We've got to do that. If we really want to make an impact, that's what someone like Beth Ann is doing our missionary in Estonia Estonia it. If you don't know is the most atheistic nation in the world, Beth Ann is there a and Mindy Portier or other missionaries are there. And Beth Ann started with

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A cooking ministry. She didn't know it was

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Language. So she would invite just a few middle school and high school girls over to our house to start cooking with her and teaching or the language.

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She started sharing the faith with them,

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Them, and then some of them would come to Christ. And what's amazing now is that those people are leading cooking ministries.

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And now we are,

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You seen generational Multiplication right. And what's amazing as Beth Ann's vision now that we have been given to is to see 2000 youth in Estonia, come to know Jesus Christ and hear the gospel 2000. She can't do that all or a loan on her own. She has to multiply like this. Now they're trying to create multiple cooking ministries and generations of cooking ministry. And she cannot do all that on her own.

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But when she

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Looks out to the next generation, the next generation to train him and make disciples who make disciples, that's the Multiplication Mindset and she can do it. We're a part of a movement called converge, worldwide Bethann and the poor years and our missionaries stand and Melinda Nelson down in Mexico are a part of our, this movement that we're a part of 1400 churches across the country. And converge has really decided

to focus on Multiplication and specifically on unreached and unengaged people, groups. What that means are people who have never heard the name of Jesus,

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That they don't have the Bible in their language. Now

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I got to meet who one of the guys in charge of this a couple of years ago, her name is Jerry shomer and they are they're our best estimates, 1300 unreached people groups. That means not a single person in these 1300 different people. Groups has ever heard the name of Jesus or believes in his name. And they're like, okay, we're going to go after these. And Jerry shomer with an initiative called the Timothy initiative based on Paul and Timothy has decided to focus on that. And when, when I heard him a few years ago, I mean, this guy would just blow your mind. You've never heard his name. And yet he's having a Billy Graham type in plaque, like a Dawson Trotman type of impact in the world. Jerry shomer has gone into. And he was traveling there in 2017. And he'd talked with one guy who was there because they were sending into one of the unreached people, groups that up until just a few years ago, had never heard the name of Jesus.

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It was the caught white people in one of the valleys of Nepal that is super hard to get to right it near Katmandu. So its in this Valley, there's 1500, I'm sorry, 15,000 people who live there in this cot white people group. And they sent one of their best missionaries there because they knew it was going to be tough. So they took one of these guys and they said, you're going to go in there. And after he had been they're just a few years, he had seven people. Who'd come to faith in Jesus Christ. Now that's incredible. I mean that's a lot. You can see this, this picture of this is the church planter with several of these people would come to faith in the cutaway, people of Nepal. So we led them to faith and Jerry Schumer visited them and was trying to talk with them. And he saw the seven people who'd come to faith and then saw the 15,000 people who had yet to hear the name of Jesus in this people group.

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And he said, wow, to this young man who was a church planner, he said, wow, you've got a lot ahead of you. This is going to be really challenging.

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But that

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Missionary had a Multiplication Mindset and he said, no, no, no, no. It's going to be easy. These seven people are already all. We need to reach all 15,000

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People. He had a Multiplication

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Mindset and the reason is because he had seen it in happened in Nepal. Before that what's amazing. As through the Timothy initiative, what they do is they find Paul's people who are experienced church planters, who are leaders and they take those Pauls and they use them to train and coach Timothy's right? So back in 2008, back in 2008 in the nation of Nepal, the Timothy initiative through converge had two I'm sorry. They had five Pauls and 20 Timothy's in Nepal, 2008, five Paul's, 20 Timothy's, which meant 2000 people who had come to faith in Jesus Christ to a thousand, which is pretty, pretty great at a time that's 2008 for fast forward, 10 years, 2018. Now they have 200 Paul's 4,000 Timothy's and 80,000 believers.

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This is Christ. Yeah.

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And that's why this guy could go into the cop white people group and say, we could do it with seven now because of a Multiplication Mindset and this is happening all around the world in Nepal and China places in Latin American Africa. And I believe that God wants to see that happen

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Here as well. And this is really hard for churches because churches naturally gravitate towards the retention Mindset

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In the world is dark right now. So many people are, are just embracing sin and evil are our nation. Look at it. Oh my gosh, all the terrible things are happening. We've got to retain and keep hold of what's ours. We got to keep our church going in the way that it's been going. We got to make sure that we don't lose our kids. Okay. Just hold on to what we have the retention Mindset and that is good. We definitely don't want the forces of darkness to take back in the ground. Right.

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But you're just get stuck there. A few churches will become addition

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Churches and they will say, Hey, let's do some outreach. Let's do bold outreach. And let's see people come to faith. What we'll share the gospel and see new people become believers and find eternal life. We'll get them. Baptized. Addition is amazing. The churches that are doing the mission that's that's what a much greater than, than retention. Right? But it's very few churches indeed, who are having a Multiplication

Mindset who are saying, no, we are going to take those people. Yes. We're going to keep doing retention. Yes. We're going to keep doing addition, but we're gonna to take those people. We have added raise them up in the faith, train them and send them out so that they can be the church planters that it can be the missionaries. So they could go out into their business's and lead people to Christ and that we can raise up another generation after them. And that's the kind of Church that I want the rice Church to be, you know, I hope in my lifetime to preach to thousands and tens of thousands of people.

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I hope that many people we're here. The good news that many people will come to faith because of my ministry. But I think the greatest impact that I can have is to do the people who maybe I don't even know yet because of who they're going to tell the good news too. And who's going to be told in turn generation, after generation, after generation is Multiplication and that's what I want to be a part of it. And that's what I want Archer to be a part of as well. That's the Multiplication Mindset so I hope that you guys are interested in this. If you're saying Matt I don't even know anything about my faith. I can't tell anybody. Like my life was a mess. That's okay. We want to help you. We wanna encourage you. We want you to teach you and train you so that you can get to the point where you can help another person.

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And honestly, all you have to do is be like one step ahead of the person. Think about it. When you're hiking with someone on an, on a drink or you just have to be one step ahead to lead them. Right? In fact, if you're too far ahead, the they get lost. Okay. So it's good. We want to teach you and train you so that you can help another person get in our community groups. We have some other ministries here. If you get plugged into a community group, we're going to encourage you and train you so that you can help another person. And then eventually you're going to see, Hey, this is my role. I'm going to always have at least one person that I'm taking personal responsibility for their spiritual growth. And then I'll know that I have, that person has graduated when they are having someone, when I have a spiritual grandchild and that is going to instill the Multiplication Mindset in our church. And I believe we're gonna have an even bigger impact than we could ever have with just retention.

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And even with addition, we need the Multiplication Mindset here.

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All right. So

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We are going to take communion together. It's the first, Sunday, the month we do this to remember Jesus, because Jesus had a Multiplication Mindset thought about this. The Multiplication Mindset because Jesus. Yes. He preached to crowds. That's good. Billy Graham stuff, evangelism. It's great. But what Jesus did was

he focused on his 12 disciples and at the end of his life, when he died, his disciples even ran away. He lost one of them completely. Right. And yet it's what changed the world. Eugene Peterson, the, the pastor who is welded a couple of years ago, Eugene Peterson once said that Jesus, it must be remembered restricted nine tenths of his ministry to 12 Jews.

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'cause it was the only way to reach all Americans. Think about that. That's the Multiplication Mindset cause Jesus is focused on 12 and after he focused on those 12, there was a 120 when he ascended into heaven. And then If a little while later it was 3000 and then 5,000 at the end of the first century, historians guests. Now that there was probably about a hundred thousand people who would become followers in Jesus today over 2.5 billion people who claim the name of Christ Multiplication that's what Jesus practice. And when he went on the cross and died for our sins, his body was broken, but he knew it was not just for us. We receive it so that we can pass it on to others.

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And that's what we're going to do today. As we take the bread and we take the cup together. So you're going to leave that in a minute, but I want you to think, as you're taking this, you're having communion with Jesus. But this is what you have received is to be passed on to others just as Jesus, pass it on to us. So I'm going to pray for us. And then we are going to watch a video for the next series that starting next Sunday, you better come back for it. Let's pray, Lord God, I pray that you would help our church. Not just retain people. We want to do that. We don't want to lose anyone in a faith. I pray that you'd help us. Not just to also be in addition, Church Lord that we'd see new people to come to faith. Especially if it's Christmas with our, with our big, bold outreach that we're gonna be trying. And we want to see new people come to faith, but Lord God, even more than that, we want to be a Multiplication church.

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We want to see exponential growth of the kingdom of God, through what we are doing here. As we pass it on from one person to the next to the next Lord, would you help us make us know that it's not about us, but it's about who we are going to impact because of who they are going to impact. Lord God give us a reach far beyond. Even the people we know, Lord God, I pray that she would make us a church, make us individuals have a Multiplication Mindset and we could truly see the kingdom of God grow exponentially here in Denver and around the world. I pray this all in Jesus' name. Amen.