Leverage Your Life - Week 6

God did not bring me into a relationship with Himself for me to do something for Him. He brought me into a relationship with Himself so that _____ can do something through me. Do I think about the lostness of my city? The church is the body of Christ so that Christ can live His life out in the city to reach the lostness of the city. Jonah 4:10-11 "You pity the plant..." but, "I pity Nineveh." Luke 19:41 "And when He drew near and saw the city, He wept over it." What if we got radical and instead of strategizing on how to grow our church, we begin to start strategizing on how to impact and penetrate the of our city? The Gospel changes families, lives, and communities. 3 MARKS OF WHEN WE BEGIN TO THINK CITY AND NOT JUST CHURCH: 1. A practice of the city. What if we began to look at ourselves as a missionary in our city? We begin to look for ways to serve in our city that built bridges that allow the Gospel to walk from our lives into their lives. The Great Commission is to us tell us to go to them. 2. A passion to _____ the whole city. Too many of our churches don't look like the communities in which it is located. The average local community is 10x more integrated than its churches. The local school is 20x more integrated than the churches in its community. However, more than 87% of churches in America are Hermogenes.

3. A plan to _____ the church in the city.

When we begin to think city and not just church, we begin to have a plan to reach the whole city and multiply the church.

Think micro (small) - how you can make an impact within neighborhoods, businesses, teams, etc.

Every person who comes to know Jesus first came to know another follower of Jesus.

What if I ask God to help me leverage where I live, work, and play for the Kingdom?

The great use of a live is to spend it for something that will outlast it... and the Kingdom of God is eternal!