

Impacting Our Generation For Christ

A wooden cross is the central focus, with a hand reaching up to touch it. The background is split into a yellow top half and a green bottom half, both featuring large, overlapping circles and radiating lines.

All On The Altar Sunday

Psalm 78:4-7

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⁴ We will not hide them from their children; we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the LORD, his power, and the wonders he has done.

Psalm 78:4–7



⁵ He decreed statutes for Jacob and established the law in Israel, which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children,



⁶ so the next generation would know them, even the children yet to be born, and they in turn would tell their children. ⁷ Then they would put their trust in God and would not forget his deeds but would keep his commands.-- (NIV)



A wooden cross is positioned on the left side of the image, extending diagonally from the top-left towards the bottom-right. The background is a vibrant teal color, featuring a pattern of light rays emanating from behind the cross and a series of overlapping, semi-transparent circles that create a bokeh effect. The text is centered on the right side of the image.

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1. Realize What We Are Doing Now Is Not Working

Luke 15:17-18 ¹⁷ "When he came to his senses, he said,... ¹⁸ I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.
(NIV)



God Help Us To See The Need

Estimated Proportion Of Generations Reached For Christ

Generation

% Reached For Christ

Builders (Before – 1945)

65 %

Boomers (1946-1964)

35 %

Busters (1965-1976)

15 %

Bridgers (1977- 2000)

4 %¹

According to the North American Mission Board

30 % Americans are headed to Heaven

70 % Americans are headed to HELL!



In Gaston County, an average of 16 deaths occur per day. Taking an optimistic view that one half will go to Heaven, that means **56** people go to HELL each week in our county.



What Lost People Say

(According to a survey by George Barna of 6,000 unchurched people)

Out of the 70% of unchurched approximately:

1 of 10 will go to Hell because they are antagonist toward the gospel.



5 of 10 will go to Hell because they are unsure of the church and our traditional means of reaching them will not work.



3 of 10 are open to the gospel through traditional means, but will go to Hell unless we got to them.



1 of 10 are so open they would believe, but will go to Hell because we will not cross the road to tell them.



2. Repent of Our Sins.

A. Repent of Apathy.

Psalm 142:4 I looked on my right hand, and beheld, but there was no man that would know me: refuge failed me; no man cared for my soul. (KJV)



- **God** Cares About Souls.
- **Satan** Cares About Souls.
- **People In Heaven** Care About Souls.



➤ People In Hell Care About Souls.

Luke 16:27-28 ²⁷ "He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my father's house, ²⁸ for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.'
(NIV)



B. Repent of Making Excuses.

Luke 14:18 ¹⁸ "But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said, 'I have just bought a field, and I must go and see it. Please excuse me.' (NIV)



“The servant went back and told the master what had happened. He was outraged and told the servant, ‘Quickly, get out into the city streets and alleys. Collect..., all the misfits and homeless and wretched you can lay your hands on, and bring them here.’(The Message)

Luke 14:21



C. Repent of Failing To Exalt Christ.

John 12:32 ³² And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me. (KJV)



Who is the most famous person in the world?

- ☐ Donald Trump?
- ☐ Vladimir Putin
- ☐ Michael Jordan?
- ☐ Billy Graham?
- ☐ Pope Francis
- ☐ Jesus Christ?
- ☐ Katy Perry?
- ☐ Elvis Presley?



3. We Must Return to The Biblical Pattern .

A. The Pattern Is Go Ye, Not You'll Come.

Mark 16:15 ¹⁵ And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. (KJV)



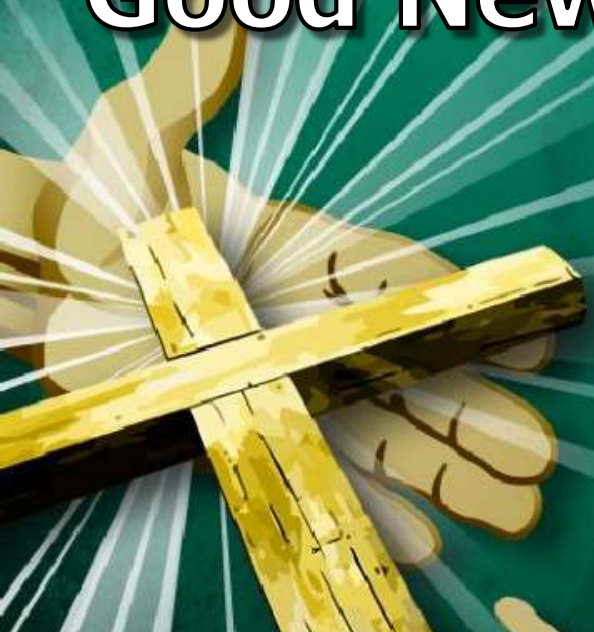
B. The Pattern Is The Pastor Equipping The Saints .

Ephesians 4:11-12 Christ is the one who gave these gifts to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. ¹² Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ, (NLT)



C. The Pattern Is Soul-Winning Is Our Priority .

Acts 20:24 24 ...The most important thing is that I complete my mission, the work that the Lord Jesus gave me—to tell people the Good News about God's grace. (NCV)



A wooden cross is positioned on the left side of the image, extending diagonally from the top-left towards the bottom-right. The cross is made of two weathered wooden beams. The background is a vibrant teal color with a pattern of soft, out-of-focus circles. From the top-left corner, several bright white light rays fan out across the background, creating a sense of divine light or inspiration.

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