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notes

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What's Next?

CP Vision Statement:
TRANSFORMED followers of Jesus, **PASSIONATELY** responding to God,
ROOTED in prayer and **EQUIPPING** disciples.

WE DREAM OF A DAY WHEN...

God's empowering presence is palpable.

"The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children." Romans 8:16

Discipleship is a way of life. Discipleship is the heartbeat.

*"You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven."
Matthew 5:14-16*

"To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:31-32

Loving relationships set the tone for community. We are to measure our faithfulness in eternal terms (stories of transformation), rather than human measurables.

"By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 13:35

"This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth." I John 3:16, 18

Believers own ministry in their area(s) of spiritual giftedness.

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from Me you can do nothing." John 15:5

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving." Col 3:23-24

We are enthusiastically engaged in "kingdom expansion" work.

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20

"But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander." I Peter 3:15-16

WILL YOU LET GO OF THE DOOR?