re-creation clarifies purpose for ministry

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A community in Christ has reason for existence. A recreation missiology aligns to a clearer purpose for this existence, which gives great reason to love people and multiply self—perpetuating missionality.



Training Video 2

The right intention and the right action of a person's deeds reveals the right motivation for missionality: re-creation.



The beginning of re-creation is to discover what you are re-creating. The "what" is the cultural aspiration a designer desires to promote. Values, mantra, image, and mission are all a part of these aspirations.

What do you value?

In the space provided write down as many value words that you can think of. There are no wrong answers. Attempt to come up with 50 words that describe the culture you desire to be a part of.

What are you re-creating on earth?



In the space provided draw or summarize the kind of faith that you want to be in relationship with. Does it transform bane into beautiful?

Your statements

Mantra: (a tag line that will be on every public display and every mouth)

Image: (a short statement that describes who you are, i.e. "we are a community of believers reaching the world for Christ.")

Mission: (a short statement of how you are going to accomplish your image, i.e." making followers of Christ who are missionally active")

Vision: (this is a quantifier statement. Vision has specifics to it and is an internal set of goals.



Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Building community can be an incredible experience, yet in all honesty it is an awkward experience. Expecting people that come from different backgrounds, family styles, and contexts to come together and serve and love one another is not an easy venture.



What must people sacrifice in order to have community?

What are some specific ideas that will promote community in your teams and groups?