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Multiplication and Prayer

Hi, my name is Andrias Pantauw. I'm involved in mentoring two national organizations that are sending national missionaries to the Unreached People Groups in our country. My wife and I are involved in making disciples so that our disciples can continue making disciples of all the nations, of all the people groups.

One particular passage that has been very exciting to me is in Revelation 7:9-10 because John saw the glimpse of what's going to happen at the end. We already know what's going to happen at the end. At the end there will be a lot of people, a lot of different ethnic groups, a lot of people from different languages will come and worship the Lamb. And that is exciting because it is going to happen. God is going to fulfill it. And since we already know the end, our strategy, our tactic, our approach must be able to accomplish the end goal.

So in the past one decade, one particular tactic that has been exciting for us, it has been bearing fruits, it has been proven in the field among our disciples, among our team members, -it is not just theories. As we try and fail and as we share the Gospel and disciples of all the nations, one tactic that has been working for us- is some people call it **Church Planting Movement** or **Discipleship Making Movement**. Or whatever terminology you want to say, the key principles in order for us to see movement is **simple and reproducible**. If it is complicated, we will not be able to see multiplication. One basic foundation of seeing multiplication, seeing a lot of people from different ethnic groups, coming to know Jesus is in the area of prayer.

As I've been thinking about it and praying about it, *hey, what should I share for this video?* I'll emphasize about prayer!

How is our prayer strategy?

How is your prayer strategy?

Do you have a prayer strategy?

How is our prayer life?

How often do you pray?

How desperate are we in asking God to create, to make movement, people coming to know him from the people group that we adopt? From the people group that we serve? From the community where we live? So we need to pray more. We need to be intentional in asking God to create movement. It is not enough just to pray five minutes per day or even ten minutes on Sunday per week. It's not enough. We need to pray a lot. We need to pray more.

Why do we pray? Well number one, remember, that this is not about us. This is about God. This is not about our intelligence. This is not about our education background. This is not about -we have so many trainings we received and we know a lot of knowledge. So when there are certain problems that occur we know how to solve them. No, no it's not about us! It's about God. God is the one who can bring people to Himself.

Why do we pray? Second, Jesus told His disciples that He will send the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit will guide and lead and teach the disciples in everything Jesus has taught them. So the Holy Spirit leads us in doing mission and I do not want us to have an allergic reaction when we heard the word, the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit and His manifestation do not belong to certain denomination. No! It is biblical to know about the Holy Spirit and to apply what the Spirit is teaching us. So the Holy Spirit helps us in praying for this and that. The Holy Spirit guides us when we are stuck in a certain situation or when we face challenges, we need to pray by the fall. That should be our mode. When we face challenges, we pray instead of -well, this is what I learned from my training so, this is the solution. It is not that simple. We need to ask the Holy Spirit to guide us and lead us. And the Holy Spirit, especially right now in times of pandemic, He helps us to navigate our life and our ministry. Many of us are facing uncertainties in the mission field or back at home. You want to go back to the mission field but the country is still closed. We need the Holy Spirit to guide us, helping us to navigate our future direction.

So my encouragement to you: one, **cultivate and grow your prayer life**. Your prayer lifestyle needs to be dynamic, vibrant and -we need to have that lifestyle! I'm not saying that I'm the expert also in praying, I'm still learning! I don't think I'm an intercessor. But I am learning to pray passionately, to pray a lot, asking God a lot to create a movement and multiplication among the people groups that we serve. Number two, **train your congregation, future missionary to do prayer walk**, to pray for the community, to pray for all people. When people, when your friends or family member share problems, pray for them. And when you pray, ask God for miracles. Again, do not be afraid to ask God for miracles. When you serve in the mission field, we need a lot of miracles. So before you go to the field, make sure that you also have a vibrant prayer lifestyle. Number three, total surrender to the Holy Spirit and to God to lead us and to give us the answer because we do not know many things. We do not have all the answers. We don't. So we need to pray and ask for His direction and then we just need to surrender to what He wants us to do. And I know surrendering is not easy.

So in conclusion, what is fruitful? What is productive in the mission field where we serve right now? Because we want to see movement multiplication happening among all people groups in our country, in our region. Tactic. The tactic that creates movement, it has to be simple and reproducible. Number two, we need to pray. Pray fervently. Pray seriously. Pray intentionally. Asking God to do His thing. The God thing. The God's aspect.