

*“You are the light of the world—like a city on a mountain, glowing in the night for all to see. Don't hide your light under a basket! Instead, put it on a stand and let it shine for all. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.”*

Matthew 5:14-16 (NLT)

In a survey of pastors, **2%** said, “My church is making a significant impact on our community”

### **WE GROW SO WE CAN GO.**

1. We must go where the people and the **needs** are.

*“Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the Good News of the Kingdom and healing every disease and sickness”.*

Matthew 9:35 (NLT)

2. There must be the combination of proclamation and demonstration... It is both **SHOW and TELL.**

*“Pure and lasting religion in the sight of God our Father means that we must care for orphans and widows in their troubles, and refuse to let the world corrupt us.”*

James 1:27 (NLT)

*“Suppose you see a brother or sister who needs food or clothing, and you say, ‘Well, good-bye and God bless you; stay warm and eat well’—but then you don't give that person any food or clothing. What good does that do?”*

James 2:15-16 (NLT)

3. We impress from a distance but we **impact** up close and personal.

4. We must be broken for the **broken**.

*“When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd”.*

Matthew 9:36 (NIV)

*“Don't forget about those in prison. Suffer with them as though you were there yourself. Share the sorrow of those being mistreated, as though you feel their pain in your own bodies”.*

Hebrews 13:3 (NLT)

5. Just like you have a story, they have a **story**.

*“An empty stable stays clean, but no income comes from an empty stable”.*

Proverbs 14:4 (NLT)

6. We must realize that **we** are the answer to prayer.

*“Then he said to his disciples, ‘The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.’”*

Matthew 9:37-38 (NIV)

What field is God calling **YOU** to work in?