

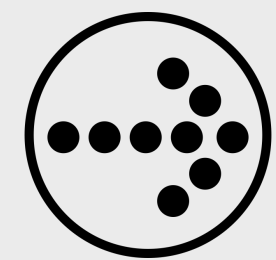
The Mission of God

Seeing as Jesus Sees

“Jesus walked throughout the region with the joyful message of God’s kingdom realm. He taught in their meeting houses, and wherever he went he demonstrated God’s power by healing every kind of disease and illness. When he saw the vast crowds of people, Jesus’ heart was deeply moved with compassion, because they seemed weary and helpless, like wandering sheep without a shepherd. He turned to his disciples and said, “The harvest is huge and ripe! But there are not enough harvesters to bring it all in. As you go, plead with the Owner of the Harvest to thrust out many more reapers to harvest his grain!”

Matthew 9:35-38

The Passion Translation

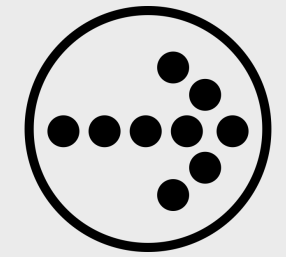


**Meaning is found in participation
in the mission of God.**

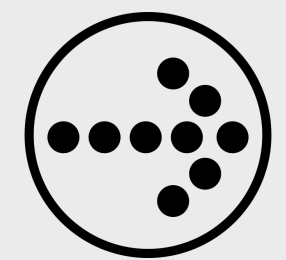


To participate in the mission of
God we must see people the way
Jesus sees people.

God sides with those on the
underside of power.

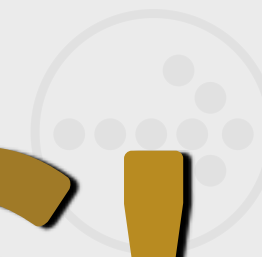
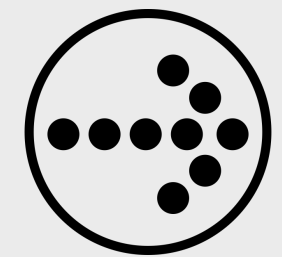


I wonder how we feel about Jesus' plea to pray for laborers when we realize that we are that sheep without a shepherd; that field waiting to be harvested?

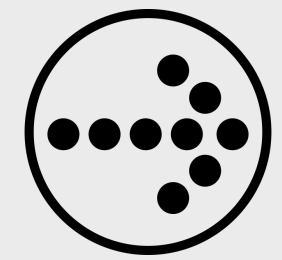


Can we see as Jesus sees?

YES!



God sees.



“Where are you?” Genesis 1:9



“You are the God who sees me.” Genesis 16:13

“I [the Lord] have seen the oppression.” Exodus 3:7

“The Lord looks at the heart.” 1 Samuel 16:7

“The gospel brought me to the cross, but the cross had not brought me home. I came to Christ, but not the Father.”

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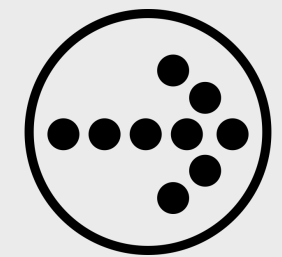
We see.

Matthew 5:8, 9:30

Luke 7:44

Ephesians 1:18

2 Peter 1:4



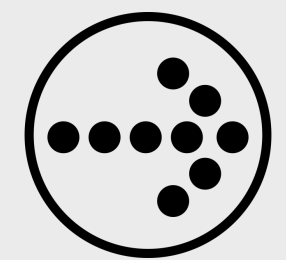
“The eye is the lamp of the body. You draw light into your body through your eyes, and light shines out to the world through your eyes. So if your eye is well and shows you what is true, then your whole body will be filled with light.

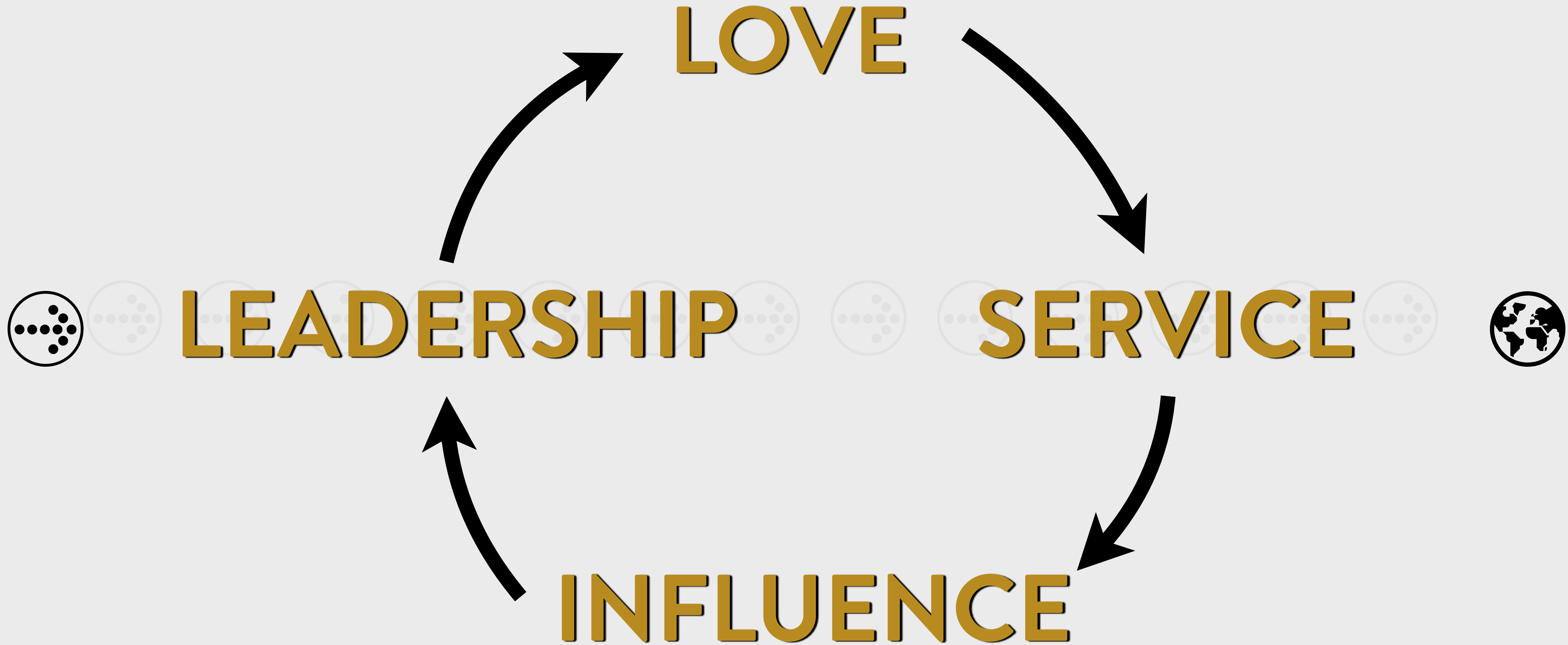
But if your eye is clouded or evil, then your body will be filled with evil and dark clouds. And the darkness that takes over the body of a child of God who has gone astray—that is the deepest, darkest darkness there is.”

Matthew 6:22-23

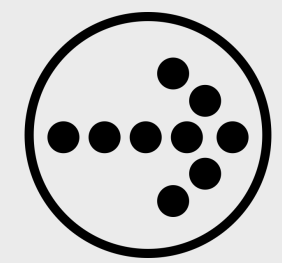
The Voice Translation

People respond to the image
you have of them in your
heart.





To see as Jesus sees, I need...



1. To be born again.
2. Practice relating to God as a Good Father.
3. Garden your encounters with God.
4. Receive from others.



How can I take responsibility for this message?

1. Pray 2 Peter 1:4.

2. Ask Jesus to highlight who He wants you to see.

3. Make a list of what you admire about that person.

4. Share it with them.

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