



Every church has a culture.

“Culture eats strategy for breakfast” Peter Drucker

Every church culture happens either by default or design.

If not by default, it will eat the vision.

Many people need to belong before they can believe, and everyone who believes needs to belong so that they can become.

Belong Stage involves:

- Life Group
- Life Class
- Freedom Weekend

Genesis 19:2 NKJV

Lot attracted strangers. Sodom attacked visitors.

Luke 15:20

Father had an invitational attitude
The older son was indifferent in his attitude

People aren't looking for a friendly church they are looking for friends in the church.

If I can't connect with everyone it shouldn't stop me from connecting with someone.

1. Some people will never believe until they belong

Jesus invited disciples to follow before they believed (Mt 4:19)

Jesus asked to remove the stone before He spoke the word to the dead man.

John 11:39

2. Some people will never become if they don't belong

Isaac and Ishmael had the same father but were raised by a different mother.

*For it is written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bondwoman, the other by a freewoman.
Galatians 4:22*

3. People need pastors, not just pasture.

Matthew 9:36-38 NKJV

Matthew 9:35

Belonging requires compassion and connection.

God is looking for laborers, not just more leaders.

We are laborers of love (Heb 6:10; 1 Th 1:3)

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