



CAPE TOWN 2010 SESSION SUMMARY AND SEGMENT SYNOPSIS

This Summary and Synopsis document has two components:

Page 1 is the summary of all the speakers in the 90-minute session.

Pages 2 and following include a synopsis of each specific video segment extracted from the full 90-minute session.

FULL SESSION SUMMARY – God at Work in the World Through His Church: Broken World - HIV/AIDS and Human Trafficking

DATE OF SESSION: 19 October 2010

SUMMARY SUBMITTED BY: Ellen Zaretsky (CT2010 Communications Session Summary Team)

PRESENTER(S): Valdir Steuernagel, Cristo Greyling, Princess Kasune Zulu

STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE/ PROBLEM: Our world is broken. Human trafficking and HIV/AIDS are two problems of our day. How is God restoring a broken world today? How can the Church be an agent of God in the reconciliation process?

REGIONAL FOCUS: Middle East

KEY POINTS:

*This is a broken world: unemployed fathers, lonely children, abandoned women, wars, uneven distribution of wealth

*Ministry in this broken world is our privilege *Exploitation of Cambodian girls

*HIV/AIDS *God's grace and restoring power

The world is broken and God has given us the privilege of ministering in it. Valdir Steuernagel introduced the subject of human trafficking with a video of girls/women in Cambodia who are exploited in their poverty. A young woman gave testimony of being trapped, being freed years later and coming to faith in Christ. Then two testimonies were given. Cristo Greyling, a pastor from South Africa with HIV, was embraced by friends, co-theological students and his girlfriend, now his wife. Princess Kasune Zulu, from Zambia, lost her parents to the disease and is herself HIV positive. The Lord met them both in their fear, loneliness and sickness. God gave them each a ministry to those who are HIV positive (Psalm 118: 17, Acts 20: 24) and His church through God's grace.

TAKEAWAY

Christian ministry in a broken world can begin in social ministry and turn to gospel witness to salvation. God's grace can minister to a broken people in this broken world. Christians must act to demonstrate the grace of God to a broken world. We can earn the right to proclaim that reconciliation with God is possible in Christ Jesus.



1. SEGMENT SYNOPSIS

TOPIC: Regional Focus: The Middle East
SEGMENT TITLE: Middle East Overview Video
SEGMENT DATE: 19 October 2010
SYNOPSIS WRITERS: Josue Fernandez and Tim Brannagan (CT2010 GlobalLink Team)

The Church, which began in the Middle East, brought great changes to the world. However, the modern Church in the Middle East is experiencing significant decline. Years of persecution and genocide have left permanent wounds in society.

Islam continues to grow due to the factors of war and high birth rate. Judaism is experiencing growth but is causing an atmosphere of hostility in the region. In Turkey, the percentage of Christians has declined in the last 100 years while in Lebanon it has increased.

Saudi Arabia is the highlight in this region. The number of Christians has increased significantly there. In the midst of the turmoil, the question is asked, how will the global church respond?

Study questions:

1. What are the main factors in your context that prevent the church from growing?
2. What historical circumstances have caused people to react negatively to Christianity in your community?
3. How can the Global Church or your local church be an encouragement to the church in the Middle East?



2. SEGMENT SYNOPSIS

TOPIC: Regional Focus: The Middle East
SEGMENT TITLE: Middle East Panel – Andrea Zaki (interviewer)
SEGMENT DATE: 19 October 2010
SYNOPSIS WRITERS: Josue Fernandez and Tim Brannagan (CT2010 Globalink Team)

God is working in a powerful way in the Middle East. Representatives from Iran, North Africa, Palestine, Lebanon, and Egypt share of the changes occurring in their countries as a result of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in a panel discussion. Iran has seen more people turn to Christ in the last thirty years than in the previous 1300 years. Salvation and the expectation of persecution are welcomed in North Africa. The love of Jesus Christ is manifest in Palestine and Lebanon.

Faith and action work together in evangelism efforts, children's ministry, and reconciliation in the Middle East despite persecution, fear, and hostility. Many are finding a new identity and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Study questions:

1. What do you think causes a person to be willing to embrace persecution with their salvation in Jesus Christ?
2. Believers in Lebanon practice no retaliation in the midst of persecution and hostility. How do believers in your context respond to opposition and abuse? What are the results?
3. What lessons can we learn from the church in the Middle East?



3. SEGMENT SYNOPSIS

TOPIC: Regional Focus: The Middle East
SEGMENT TITLE: Christ in the Souk: Video
SEGMENT DATE: 19 October 2010
SYNOPSIS WRITERS: Josue Fernandez and Tim Brannagan (CT2010 Globalink Team)

There is a change in North Africa, the Middle East and Iran; churches are emerging.

In North Africa the church with less than one percent of the population is transforming their communities. In the Middle East, even with political tensions, the church continues to grow. In the Gulf nations, while there is a crackdown on Christian activity, the spread of the good news of Jesus Christ continues.

Medical ministries, publishing ministries, and mass media are impacting all sectors of society in North Africa, the Middle East, and Iran. The power and presence of the Gospel will not be a hidden truth in these countries anymore. The “bread of life” is present in their marketplaces.

Study questions:

1. What are the challenges that the proclamation of the Gospel faces in your context?
2. What are the non-traditional means that the church is using to help people hear about Jesus Christ in your city?
3. How can the church in your context develop new and creative ways to deliver the message of salvation to different unreached groups?



4. SEGMENT SYNOPSIS

TOPIC: Broken World
SEGMENT TITLE: Sketch: "Reach" - Cape Town 2010 Performing Arts Team
SEGMENT DATE: 19 October 2010
SYNOPSIS WRITERS: Josue Fernandez and Tim Brannagan (CT2010 Globalink Team)

This drama highlights that we live in a broken world; a world in which relationships, possessions, and treasures continue to break. But even when our heart is broken and there seems to be no hope, we can continue to trust in the healing and restoring power of Jesus Christ.

Study questions:

1. What are the situations and circumstances in your context that make people feel broken and hopeless?
2. What could be the Christian message to those who are broken and hopeless?

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5. SEGMENT SYNOPSIS

TOPIC: Broken World –HIV/AIDS and Human Trafficking
SEGMENT TITLE: Pain in the Broken World – Valdir Steuernagel
SEGMENT DATE: 19 October 2010
SYNOPSIS WRITERS: Josue Fernandez and Tim Brannagan (CT2010 Globalink Team)

God is inviting us to look into the wounds of our world and to share His heart. We are to see the lonely child, the abandoned widow, and the unjust distribution of wealth. As in the time of Moses, God has come down in Jesus Christ. He invites us to experience and to extend His reconciling touch.

Study Questions:

1. Is the church in your context seeing the concrete suffering of people as God would? What are the most critical situations that provoke suffering in your community?
2. How can the church in your community work together effectively to respond to those who are in the margins of society, suffering abandonment and abuse?

6. SEGMENT SYNOPSIS

TOPIC: Broken World –HIV/AIDS and Human Trafficking
SEGMENT TITLE: Human Trafficking – Ka from Cambodia: Video
SEGMENT DATE: 19 October 2010
SYNOPSIS WRITERS: Josue Fernandez and Tim Brannagan (CT2010 Globalink Team)

A young girl named Ka leaves her home to find work after years of poverty and abuse. Instead she is abducted and abused as a sex worker. This is a common story in Cambodia where girls as young as six are forced into the sex trade.

Ka suffered for four years, only hoping to die, before being rescued. She has come to faith in Jesus Christ and is starting the long process of recuperation and restoration.

Study questions:

1. In what ways do children of poor families risk exploitation in your context?
2. What should be the role of the church to alert authorities and to raise public awareness about human trafficking?
3. How can the church provide an answer to the many children and women that are abandoned, exploited, and abuse?



7. SEGMENT SYNOPSIS

TOPIC: Broken World –HIV/AIDS and Human Trafficking
SEGMENT TITLE: HIV/Aids Stories – Valdir Steuernagel, Cristo Greyling, Princess Zulu
SEGMENT DATE: 19 October 2010
SYNOPSIS WRITERS: Josue Fernandez and Tim Brannagan (CT2010 Globalink Team)

Valdir Steuernagel introduces two people who share their stories of living with HIV and what God is doing in and through them.

Cristo Greyling, a young man in South Africa studying for ministry, discovered that he was HIV positive. Who would accept a pastor with AIDS? And who would marry a man with AIDS? Princess Kasune Zulu, an orphaned village girl in Zambia, is tested HIV positive? Why does she praise the Lord? And why does she feel God's blessings in her affliction? Infection with the HIV virus becomes their seed for powerful ministry opportunities.

A challenge is given for the Church to be at the forefront of HIV/AIDS ministry. There is a great opportunity to respond with the unconditional love of Jesus Christ and to bringing healing and hope to those in need.

Study questions:

1. What hinders the Church from reaching out to those infected with HIV/AIDS?
2. Why do you think the Church should be at the forefront of HIV/AIDS ministry?
3. What can your church in working together do to share the unconditional love of Christ to those infected with HIV/AIDS in your community?