



Kingdom Collaborators: Eight Signature Practices of Leaders Who Turn the World Upside Down

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“Reggie is an extraordinary friend and leader. He has the incredible ability to cast fresh vision on the work of the church in the world today, challenging Christian leaders to see collaboration as essential to being what Christ has called us to be. This book inspires all of us toward greater unity and commitment to Christ’s transforming work.”

— Kevin Palau, president of Luis Palau Association, author of *Unlikely: Setting Aside Our Differences to Live Out the Gospel*

Creating a Kingdom-Centric Mission

What made you want to write this new book on church leadership?

For several decades I have worked with church leaders to help them be more effective in their ministry efforts. Increasingly, I am convinced that the church as institution is missionally misaligned, and that only a recovery of church as movement can reposition the church as relevant and connected to God’s kingdom agenda. This shift requires spiritual leaders both inside and outside the church to adopt a kingdom-centric agenda. The good news is that these leaders are emerging in every sector of our culture.

Who do you hope this book reaches?

They are what I call “kingdom collaborators” because they partner with God and with other kingdom-biased people to further God’s mission. My goal with this book is to accelerate God’s kingdom by equipping existing and aspiring leaders to recognize and develop the critical competencies that accompany viral, kingdom agents.

Why do you call these kinds of leaders “kingdom collaborators”?

The kingdom of God involves life as he intended. His redemptive mission involves helping people experience that life, even to the point that he visited the planet and lived out a kingdom-centric life in Jesus to show us what he had in mind. This mission— his kingdom— is God’s major work on planet earth today. This means that he is at work in every person and is furthermore at work in every domain of society to secure spiritual, physical, emotional, psychological, and economic wholeness. Jesus’ followers who have a kingdom-centric life and worldview see their lives as mission trips. No matter what sector of culture they are assigned they are praying and working with God so that his kingdom comes on earth as it is in heaven.

How would you describe your work in *Kingdom Collaborators*?

This book— through story, instruction, and inspiration— helps kingdom leaders recognize themselves as such (many suffer under the misunderstanding that only church jobs and church responsibilities qualify as kingdom work) as well as provide some developmental help to improve their leadership impact.

What do you hope leaders will walk away with?

A better understanding of the kingdom of God, a clearer sense of call to be a co-conspirator— a kingdom collaborator— with God in his redemptive mission, and inspiration for the reader that they *can* make a significant kingdom contribution and *how* they can be more effective as a viral, kingdom agent.