

Living Intentional Lives

at home, school, work, church, and in the community (24/7)

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- Born in LA
- Grew up running the streets
- Became a Christian in college
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What does strategy mean? (10 Words)

Advancing what you care about...

- What do you care about?

with your limited TEMP Resources

- Time
- Energy
- **Money**
- **People**

Okay, one word: *Intentional*

What is the meaning of being intentional?

“Being intentional means making deliberate choices to reflect what is most important to us.”

Rick and
Cheri's
**National
Park
Challenge**
(NPC)

Gates of the
Arctic
National Park





Being Intentional.... (24/7)

- Makes you a different person at home and in your marriage.
- Can make you more purposeful at school and work.
- Makes you a different student (teens).
- Makes you a different employee (adults).
- Can help you to be less busy:
 - Easier to say yes to what you care about.
 - Easier to say no to what is less important.

Jesus: Mt 9:36-10:1

- 9:36 Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, **proclaiming** the **good news** of the **kingdom** and **healing** every disease and sickness.
- 37 When he saw the crowds, he had **compassion** on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.
- 38 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.”
- 10:1 Jesus called his **twelve** disciples to him and gave them **authority** to **drive** out impure spirits and to **heal** every disease and sickness.



Who is the Lord Showing You?

9:37 When he saw the **crowds**, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

- Pray:
 - “God who are the crowds around me?”
- Answer:
 - “Who did God show you?”





What is the Lord Showing You

9:37 When he saw the crowds, he had **compassion** on them, because they were harassed and helpless, **like sheep without a shepherd**.

- Pray:
 - “God give me your compassion for these people”
- Answer:
 - “What did God show you?”

Our World

“Loneliness in America: How the Pandemic Has Deepened an Epidemic of Loneliness and What We Can Do About It”
(Harvard Report)

“More than three in five Americans are lonely, with more and more people reporting feeling like they are left out, poorly understood and lacking companionship.” (NPR Report)

“Our world is filled with unshepherded people”

Mobilizing Everyone

At the 2019 Lausanne Global Workplace Forum in Manila, Michael Oh, the CEO of the Lausanne Movement, noted that **one percent of people in the global church are in professional ministry**, and when it comes to evangelism, **the other 99 percent are greatly neglected**.



The Most Strategic Mission Field

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Jesus...

- He **came** (and modeled ministry) – Mt 9:36
- He **cared** (for people) – Mt 9:37
- He **commissioned** (the Twelve) – Mt 10:1
- He said, “**Ask**” (for more in the harvest field) - Mt 9:38

You are the answer to that prayer

- Ask the Lord to show you the world.
- Ask the Lord to show you His heart for the world.
- Be intentional in allowing Him to use you.
 - **It is not WHO you are; it is WHOSE you are.**
 - **Not WHO am I; but WHOSE am I?**
- Next steps: Get some more equipping and begin to practice.

Intentional Living: Blessing More People More

Cheri and I pray most days:

“Lord, help us to bless more people more today”

A simple leadership starting place: CPR

- Caring
- Praying
- Reaching Out

How you can get started... CPR

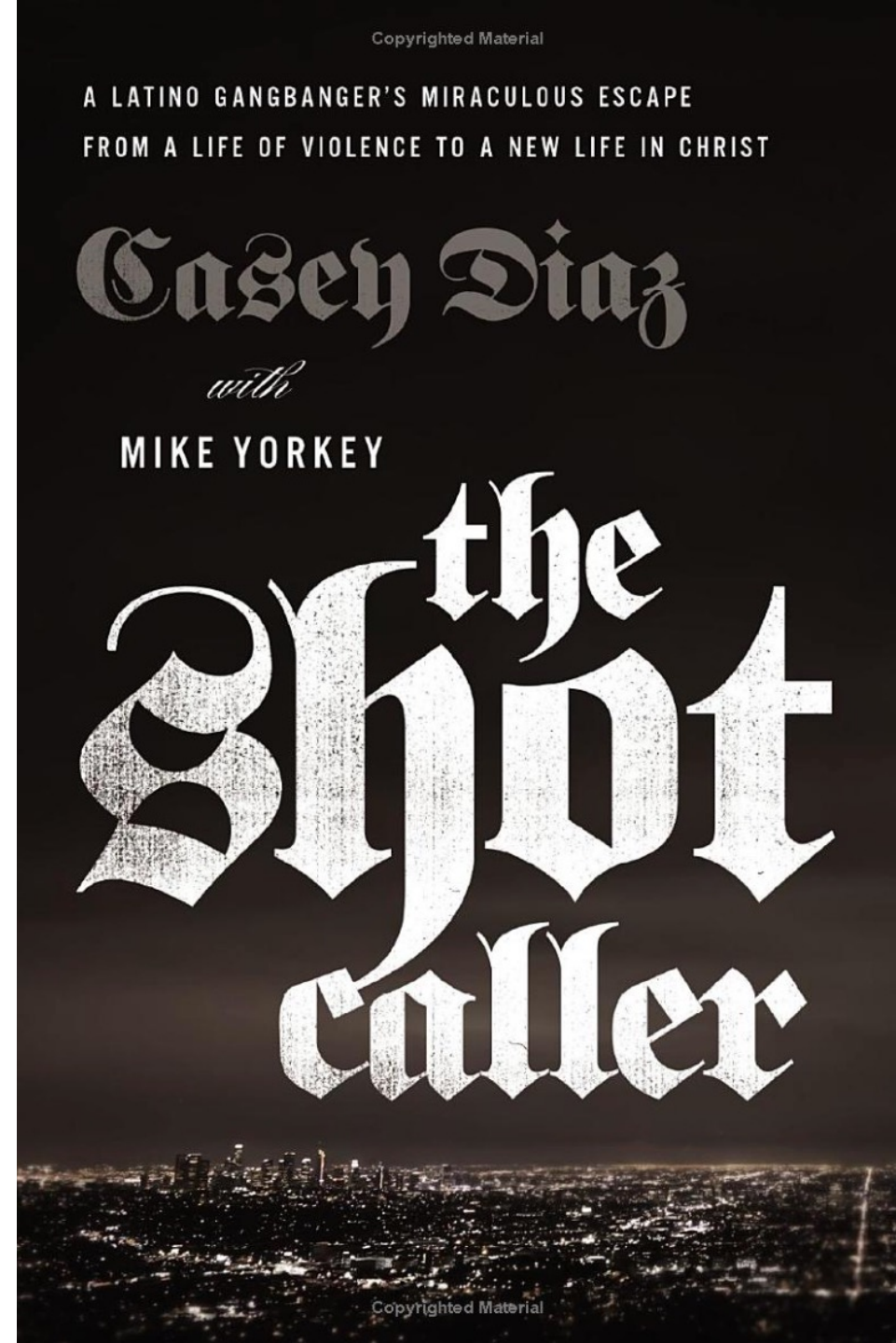
(CPR was invented in the 60s for regular people to save lives)

- **Caring**
 - We can learn their names
- **Praying**
 - Praying with (presence) people and for people (on your own)
- **Reaching Out**
 - With a text, an email, a phone call, or a coffee time

“You may be the only pastor/shepherd a person has”

Casey Diaz

- Gangs on the streets of LA
- Solitary Confinement in Folsom for 12 years
- Frances Proctor



Commissioning you today to lead intentional lives

- You can be the difference in peoples lives
- Commissioning: (Mt 28:19, 20)
 - Go and care for those in your church and community.
 - Knowing that you have the presence of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit with you.
 - You can be that person of influence and impact.

Prayer of Salvation (ABC)

- Admit
 - Lord, we **admit** that we have fallen short of your holy standard.
- Believe
 - Lord, we **believe** that Jesus is the Son of God and was crucified on the cross for my sins.
- Commit
 - Lord, we **commit** our lives to Christ today.