

RIDGECREST FOUNDATION



Ridgecrest Foundation Theology of Development

- **God is faithful.**
 - *He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.* 1 Thessalonians 5:24
- **God is generous.**
 - *Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.* Ephesians 1:3
- **It all belongs to God.**
 - *“But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.* 1 Chronicles 29:14
- **We serve a God of abundance. We will operate with an abundance mindset, not a scarcity mindset.**
 - *And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.* 2 Corinthians 9:8
 - *Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.* Philippians 4:6-7
- **God will supply the resources we need to complete what He wants us to do.**
 - *And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.* Philippians 4:19
- **Development is an opportunity for us to help others grow in their relationship with the Lord.**
 - *A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.* John 13:34-35
 - *As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.* 1 Timothy 6:17-19
- **Development involves inviting someone to join what God is doing - not just asking for money.**
 - *So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise.”* John 5:19
- **Our role is to sow faithfully. God is responsible for the harvest.**

- *So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. For we are God's fellow workers. You are God's field... 1 Corinthians 3:7-9*
- **We will be grateful for every gift.**
 - *Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. James 1:17*
- **God can multiply small gifts for big impact.**
 - *They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Matthew 14:17-18*
 - *Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. - Mark 12:43*
- **Our security is in God, not money.**
 - *Whoever trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will flourish like a green leaf. Proverbs 11:28*
 - *Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God. Psalm 20:7*