

TOGETHER, WE CAN CHANGE THE WORLD

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Eph 4:31-5:2 Get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words, and slander, as well as all types of malicious behavior. Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you. Follow God's example in everything you do, because you are his dear children. 2 Live a life filled with love for others, following the example of Christ, who loved you and gave himself as a sacrifice to take away your sins. And God was pleased, because that sacrifice was like sweet perfume to him. NLT

When some of us think about changing the world, we think about doing big things, superhero kinds of things. Does it take a superhero to be kind? Tenderhearted? Forgiving?

Anybody can do those things. It may not always be easy, but we can all do those things.

People who make a difference in the world, don't make it alone. They don't live in isolation. Other people influenced them and partnered with them and played a vital role in their accomplishments.

I think sometimes we get too hung up on viewing changing the world as this big giant mission. We think for it to be real and meaningful, it has to be big and impressive. Too often we fall into negative comparisons of our everyday life activities to someone else's single, grand accomplishment.

The reality is that the most powerful change is slow and steady. It comes through consistency over time, like water flowing through a canyon or winds that sculpt desert arches in places like Utah.

Be kind, every day. Be loving, every day. Be forgiving, every day and I can promise you that you will make the world a better place!

I could never give a million dollars to missions, but together, this church has done that. I can't afford to build a nice new building in our city, but together we can.

Together, as a church body, as a church family, we can change the world.