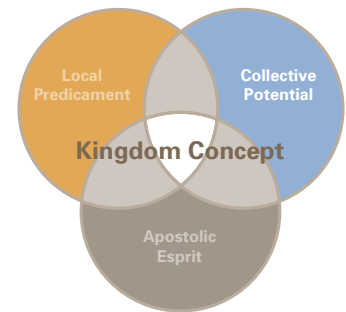


Local Predicament Questions For the Kingdom Concept

Your community has all kinds of specific challenges. Do you know what they are? Defining your local predicament answers the question, *“What are the unique needs and opportunities where God has placed us?”* Understanding your local predicament is about having an intimate grasp of the soil where God has called you to minister. Here are some of the questions that can help you and your leadership team to explore your local predicament:



- What are the unique needs where God has placed us? In our city? In our neighborhoods?
- How are these needs reflected socially, economically, ethnically, environmentally, politically, and religiously?
- What arena of our community is the farthest from the utopia that God wants to restore?
- What special opportunities are found within our immediate (within ½ mile) sphere of influence?
- What burning issues are alive in the public’s eye and brought to attention by the media?
- What needs and opportunities do the industries specific to our area create?
- What is the most significant change in our community in the last decade and what need does this create?
- What are the largest community events and what needs or opportunities do these create?
- Because of our specific location, what solution could we provide that no other church could?
- How would we describe the “atmosphere of lostness” in our community?
- What is the “creation story” of our particular community and what insight does this provide?
- Does the history of our community bring to light any spiritual strongholds?
- What one positive change in our community would have the most dramatic effect to people’s lives?

