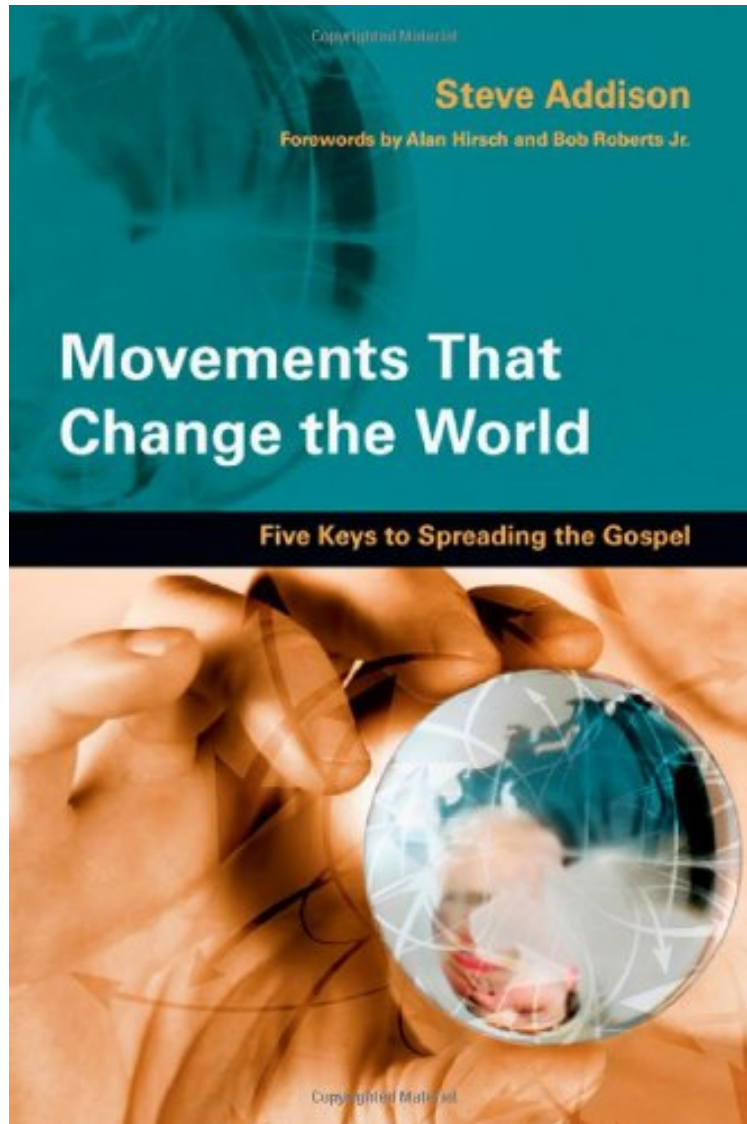


Movements That Change the World: Five Keys to Spreading the Gospel

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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Full of inspiring stories about making and multiplying disciples!By SumafuA thoroughly-researched and well-written book by an author with a contagious passion for the spread of the

Gospel and the kingdom of God, who has been involved first-hand in much of what he writes about. God is doing new things (or old things in new ways) all around the world, and we would do well to learn from Him. I highly recommend this book for anyone who dreams of seeing the Great Commission fulfilled. 5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. *Movements Change People, and Changed People Change the World* By Dr. Dave DeVries "The church, in its very essence, is a missionary / missional movement with a mandate to take the good news of Jesus to the world." (p 30). In *Movements that Change the World*, Steve Addison identifies five characteristics of missionary movements. I read this entire book on a flight returning from a week in Northern India training leaders of a church planting movement. They've planted 1300 churches last year and have a goal of 100,000 churches in Asia by the year 2030! As I read and understood these five characteristics, I reflected on how they are exhibited in India and I longed to see them evident in North America. This book has inspired me by both its examples and its practicality. In coaching church planters in the U.S., I intend to challenge them to consider how they can adopt these principles in their ministry context. It's through examining the activities of men like Wesley, Asbury, Patrick, and Carey -- and also Keller, Roberts, Driscoll, Moore and Cole -- who followed Jesus in their generation that Addison provides both inspiration and demonstration of white hot faith, commitment to a cause, contagious relationships, rapid mobilization, and adaptive methods. This book is a must read for anyone who is serious about fulfilling the mission of Jesus! One of the best questions that Addison asks is toward the end: "Are our methods so simple that the newest believer is employing them?" He adds, "That's how movements multiply disciples, groups, and communities of faith. They democratize their methods and allow every follower of Jesus to participate." (p 112) This book will inspire you to join the movement that Jesus started in the first century, and will give you practical insights into how to accelerate that movement right where you are! _____ "Movements change people, and changed people change the world!" (p28)

_____ 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. *Movements That Change the World: Take the Plunge and Join In* By B. K. Rice I have had an interest in "movements" for some time. The biggest reason is that I am interested in starting one. Well, that sounds a little grandiose, so let me say, I am interested in being one more person who facilitates a movement that produces a new kind of leadership. So I study movements. I have read some real helpful, popular level treatments of movements. *The Starfish and the Spider* by Braffman and Beckstrom, *The Tipping Point* by Malcolm Gladwell, *Tribes* by Seth Godin. And I am reading some more technical stuff as well. A new book I read in one sitting is a great introduction to movements and specifically, Christian movements. *Movements That Change the World* by Steve Addison. It is 130 pages of concise, illustrative, motivational teaching on the nature of Christian movements. If you are a Christian leader, get this book immediately. If you are, in any way, involved in church planting, evangelism, cross-cultural work - ditto. Block about two to three hours to read it. Then, sit down and start thinking about your organization and ministry in light of this book. This book is basic and insightful. That is its strength. It focuses on the Five Core Principles that Addison identified as essential for movements, and illustrates them nicely. It is biblically based, especially looking at Jesus and the Gospels and then illustrated with some of the great movements in the history of the church AND, current historical examples. He also provides "just enough" sociological explanation of movements, to understand their nature and power. After two introductory chapters, one on St. Patrick of Ireland as a case study, and then a short chapter on why movements matter, the heart of the book focuses on the five main principles found in movements, with a chapter devoted to each one. He uses Count Zinzendorf and the Moravians, Wesley, Asbury and the Methodists as significant examples of these principles. 1. White hot faith - the need for personal, transformative encounter 2. Commitment to a cause - high energy and devotion to the "vision" and "ideals" of the movement. 3. Contagious relationships - (a really great chapter with good sociology in this one that makes a ton of sense) 4. Rapid mobilization - helps you understand how grass roots movements proliferate. 5. Adaptive methods - probably the weakest of the chapters, mainly illustrative without as much instruction. I won't go into what he says in each of these chapters, but each chapter is highly accessible. The great follow through challenge will be for leaders and readers to assess their own organizations in light of these principles, and then the even bigger challenge will be how to "infuse" these principles back into the organization if they are lacking. But it can be done and it is the reason why Addison has written his book. He wants us to become "movement practitioners." Brian K. Rice Leadership Connections International[...]

When Jesus commissioned his followers, he was not just inaugurating the historical church, he was founding a missionary movement. Originally released by Missional Press and now revised and expanded to include a multi-session discussion guide, Steve Addison's *Movements That Change the World* draws from biblical, historical and contemporary case studies to isolate the essential elements of a dynamic missionary movement. The church fulfills its mission today to the extent that it honors these essential elements, modelled perfectly in Jesus missionary enterprise: white-hot faith, commitment to the cause, contagious relationships, rapid mobilization, adaptive methods. Throughout the ages Jesus' followers have been called to continue his movement in the power of the Holy Spirit. Like many such movements, it changed the world. Unlike most movements, which have their historical moment and then fade away, Christianity is actively, continually changing the world for the better.

"In this book Steve Addison demonstrates the desire of God from the biblical era until today. He casts a compelling future vision by tracing God's discernible lessons demonstrated in movements. Steve taps into the heart hunger of the growing number of us that want to see God do something great. Your heart will be stirred while you read *Movements That Change the World*. If you are like me, you will be prompted to stop and pray, 'Lord, do it again, for the sake of our communities and nations--for every man, woman and child!'" (Ed Stetzer, missiologist and author of *Planting Missional Churches*) "Adaptive, innovative and consuming. Those words characterize the movements Steve Addison describes and prescribes in his book. They also depict the book--pick it up and it won't let go of you. I couldn't put it down till it finished rearranging my mind. This is a keeper!" (Ralph Moore, founding pastor of Hope Chapel Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii, and author of *How to Multiply Your Church*) "This will be a valuable contribution to our growing understanding of church-planting movements and their history, scope and nature. . . . I will be recommending this to everyone I know." (David Garrison, missionary with the Southern Baptist International Mission Board and author of *Church Planting Movements*) "An important book for our times--well researched, well written, and well thought out. Steve identifies the essential qualities that have defined movements of the Spirit throughout the ages. The stories he tells--biblical, historical, contemporary and personal--give us hope for fresh movements of God in our day." (Robert E. Logan, founder of CoachNet International Ministries and author of *Be Fruitful and Multiply*) "Steve has been tantalizing me with tales of this book for years. He has talked to me about the content on numerous occasions. The chapters are distilled from years of experience and thought, and the final product has not disappointed. Practitioners and thinkers with a passion for mission will want to read and reread this book." (Martin Robinson, director of *Together in Mission*, UK, and coauthor of *Metavista: Bible, Church and Mission in the Age of Imagination*) "There are very few who have truly studied, dissected and understood church multiplication movements at the core. My friend Steve Addison has done his homework. I have anticipated this work for some time and am pleased to report it is better than I ever expected. Steve has put in the years of research and synthesizes his vast amounts of experience, wisdom and research into an easy-to-read book." (Neil Cole, founder of *Church Multiplication Associates* and author of *Organic Church*) "I love this book! Every so often a book comes along that fuels the flame that was started in my heart years ago when I was a young and on-fire world changer. I love reading this type of book. I'm still a fanatical, fiercely focused, imbalanced, apostolic type guy. I'm older now, but more fervent than ever. If you're looking for an intelligent and passionate book to stir you to dream big dreams of how a movement can begin through your life and that will give you practical tools to help implement those dreams, then read *Movements That Change the World*!" (Floyd McClung, founder/director of *All Nations*, South Africa, and author of *You See Bones, I See an Army*) About the Author Steve Addison (DMin, Fuller Theological Seminary) has a calling to fuel movements that multiply disciples and churches everywhere. He and his wife Michelle lead MOVE, an Australia-based mission agency dedicated to making disciples and multiplying churches around the world. Steve began his research into Christian movements in the late 1980s while serving as a church planter in Melbourne, Australia, and he is the author of *Movements That Change the World: Five Keys to Spreading the Gospel* and *What Jesus Started: Joining the Movement, Changing the World*. Alan Hirsch is the founding Director of *Forge Mission Training Network*. He is the co-founder of *shapevine.com*, an international forum for engaging with world transforming ideas. He leads *Future Travelers*, a learning journey applying missional-incarnational approaches to established churches and is an active participant in *The Tribe of LA*, a Jesus community among artists and creatives in Los Angeles. Known for his innovative approach to mission, Hirsch is a teacher and key mission strategist for churches across the western world. His popular book *The Shaping of Things to Come* (with Michael Frost) is widely considered to be a seminal text on mission. Alan's recent book *The Forgotten Ways*, has quickly become a key reference for missional thinking, particularly as it relates to movements. His book *ReJesus* is a radical restatement about the role that Jesus plays in defining missional movements. *Untamed*, his latest book (with his wife Debra) is about missional discipleship for a missional church. His experience in leadership includes leading a local church movement among the marginalized as well as heading up the *Mission and Revitalization* work of his denomination. Hirsch is an adjunct professor at Fuller Seminary and lectures frequently throughout Australia, Europe, and the U.S.