

# WHY CITIES MATTER: TO GOD, THE CULTURE, AND THE CHURCH

More people live in cities now than at any other time in human history, presenting a historic opportunity for Christians to influence the majority of the world. Unfortunately, most Christian literature about the city focuses solely on its problems (crime, homelessness, etc.), rather than providing a comprehensive analysis of the city that informs, instructs, and inspires. Using sociological research and data, urban pastors Justin...



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This shalom will not come through Christians establishing parallel subcultural institutions, but through a conviction to bring comprehensive renewal to the city by pursuing its common good. Stephen T. Um, *Why Cities Matter: To God, the Culture, and the Church* //

Sociologist Rodney Stark states: Early Christianity was primarily an urban movement. The original meaning of the word pagan (paganus) was rural person, or more colloquially country hick. It came to have religious meaning because after Christianity...

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Though I'm not entirely sure whether the authors are coming from an a-mil or post-mil perspective, they create a compelling argument for the church to refocus its priorities on urban church plants. And not only an argument, but...