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Key Takeaway

Healthy churches equip people to serve both God and their communities rather than passive consumers.

SUMMARY

Recorded in Cuba during a pastors' gathering, Andrew Gale talks with Pastor Esteban Zapata about his faith journey, the Church of God in Honduras, and the exciting future of ministry there. Esteban shares how God transformed his life as a teenager, describes the growth of the Church of God across Honduras, and highlights the denomination's investment in entrepreneurship, church planting, and leadership development. He also discusses challenges such as immigration and leadership loss while emphasizing the hope found through empowering believers to serve their communities and expand God's kingdom.

Scripture passage: 2 Thessalonians 3:13

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. *Listen: 2:15-4:46. H*ow does God meet people during difficult seasons? How have difficult experiences or disappointments opened doors for God to work in your life?
2. *Listen: 7:04-8:16.* Esteban discusses dreams for sending bi-vocational pastors into new communities. How might the model of sending entrepreneurs to plant churches change the way churches interact with the communities where they are planted? What gifts or skills do believers possess that could be used to serve others beyond the walls of the church?
3. *Listen: 9:00-10:10.* If a first-time visitor walked into your church, what would you hope they experience? What makes a church feel like a spiritual family?
4. *Listen: 12:40-16:10.* How can business, work, and entrepreneurship become tools for Christian ministry and community transformation?

REFLECTION QUESTION

Esteban shared a vision of raising up believers who can both support themselves and serve God's kingdom. What gifts, skills, professional experiences, or resources has God given you? How might you use one of those gifts this month to bless others and advance God's mission in your community?