



# PovertyCure

**ReThink Missions: That all May Thrive**

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# Curing Poverty or Unleashing Flourishing

- Genesis 1:26-28
  - In God's image
  - Be fruitful and increase
  - Rule over...
- Acts 6 – “Choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom... we'll turn this responsibility over to them.
- Lord's Prayer (Matt 6:9-13) – Thy Kingdom Come...

# Dream for your city – Imagine...

1. Every individual sees every other individual as a person of significance, created in the image of God... a unique pixel in the portrait of our Savior... with their color, heritage, uniqueness as a necessary and cherished part of God's plan for earth.
2. Every individual is viewed through the lens of what they HAVE, their uniqueness, rather than primarily through what they NEED or DON'T HAVE
3. Every charity, NGO, Social Service Provider, and Church in your community working toward seeing the Gospel flourish in the lives of every individual and toward removing barriers for every individual to be engaged in meaningful and fruitful work, providing for their own families...

# What did you see?

- That is our WHY
- That is why your ministry is so important
- God chose to work through His People
- “Without God, we can’t, without us, God won’t.” – David L. Fost
- We’re invited as God’s co-laborers to advance His Kingdom on earth, as it is in Heaven...



# Rwanda





# What is the PovertyCure Conversation?

1. Every human bears the image of God and should be treated with dignity. They are their own best answer to whatever poverty they are facing – we're just here to help remove obstacles to the release of their own ideas and potential.
2. The solutions to poverty exists in the assets a community already has, the chiefs of which are human ingenuity and strong families. Aid may bring necessary short term relief, but only unleashed human potential can sustain a region's prosperity.
3. Humans flourish most in environments where private property, free association and the free exchange of ideas and goods are sponsored by a culture of trust and protected by the rule of law.



395 partners in 144  
countries

# Why Should We Care About Poverty?



# Global Poverty

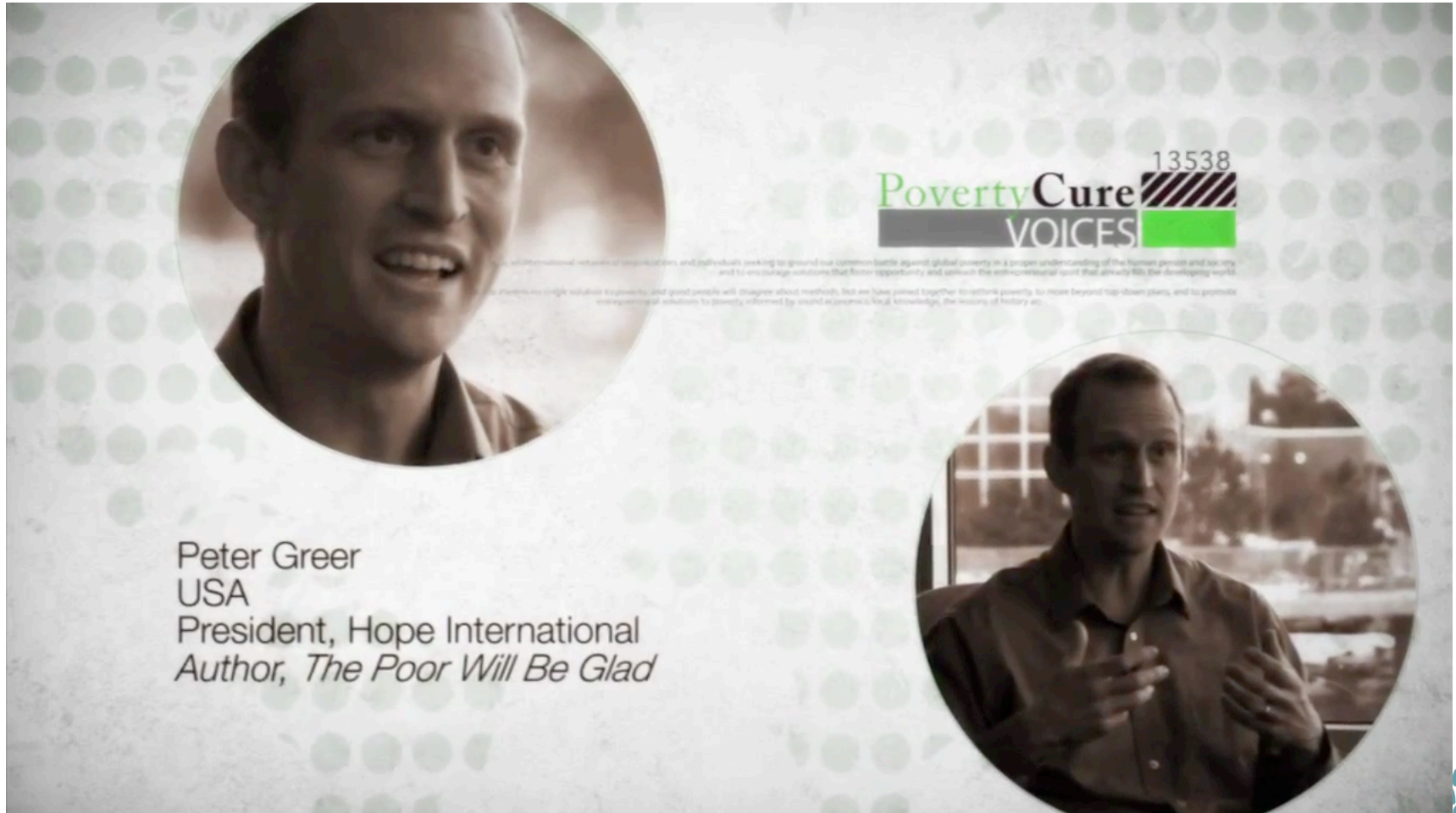
- 2.8 billion survive on less than \$2 a day (half of the world's population)
- 1.2 billion people live on less than \$1 a day
- 1 billion people are illiterate
- 1 billion people do not have access to safe drinking water

# Domestic Poverty

- 46.5 million people live in poverty in the United States (2012). This is the largest number in the 54 years the Census has measured poverty
- Over 46 million people are participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- In 2014, the number of U.S. babies born into a home with a married mother and father fell below 60%

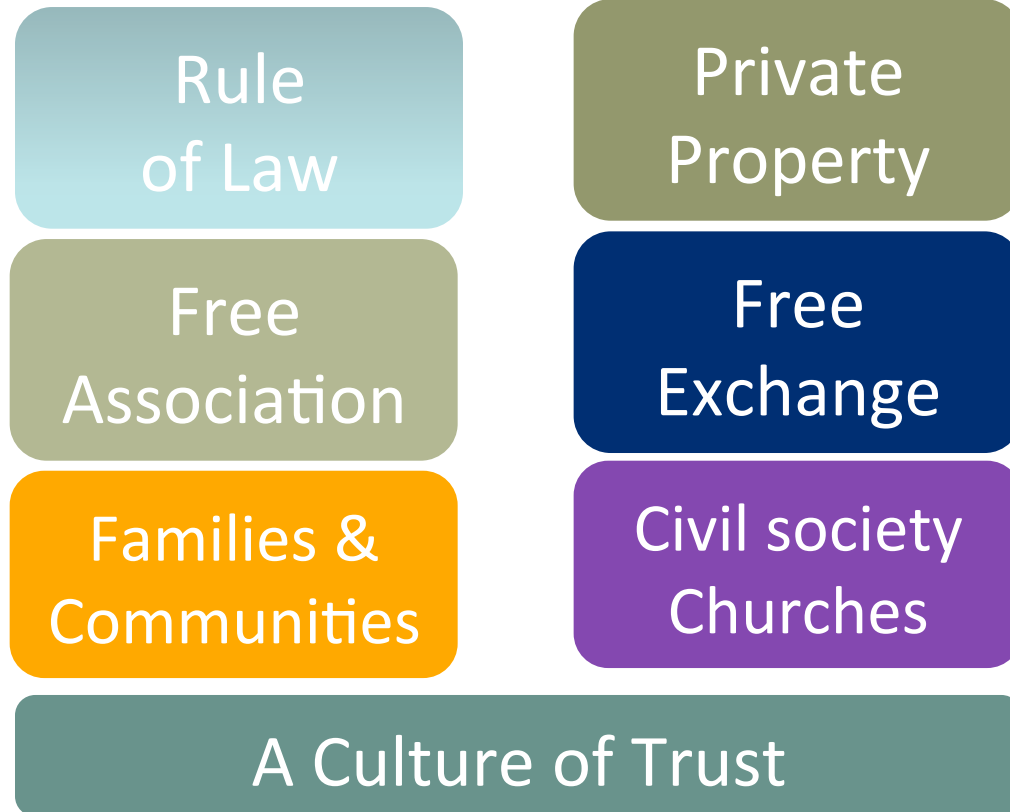


# The Power of the Gospel





# Foundations for Human Flourishing

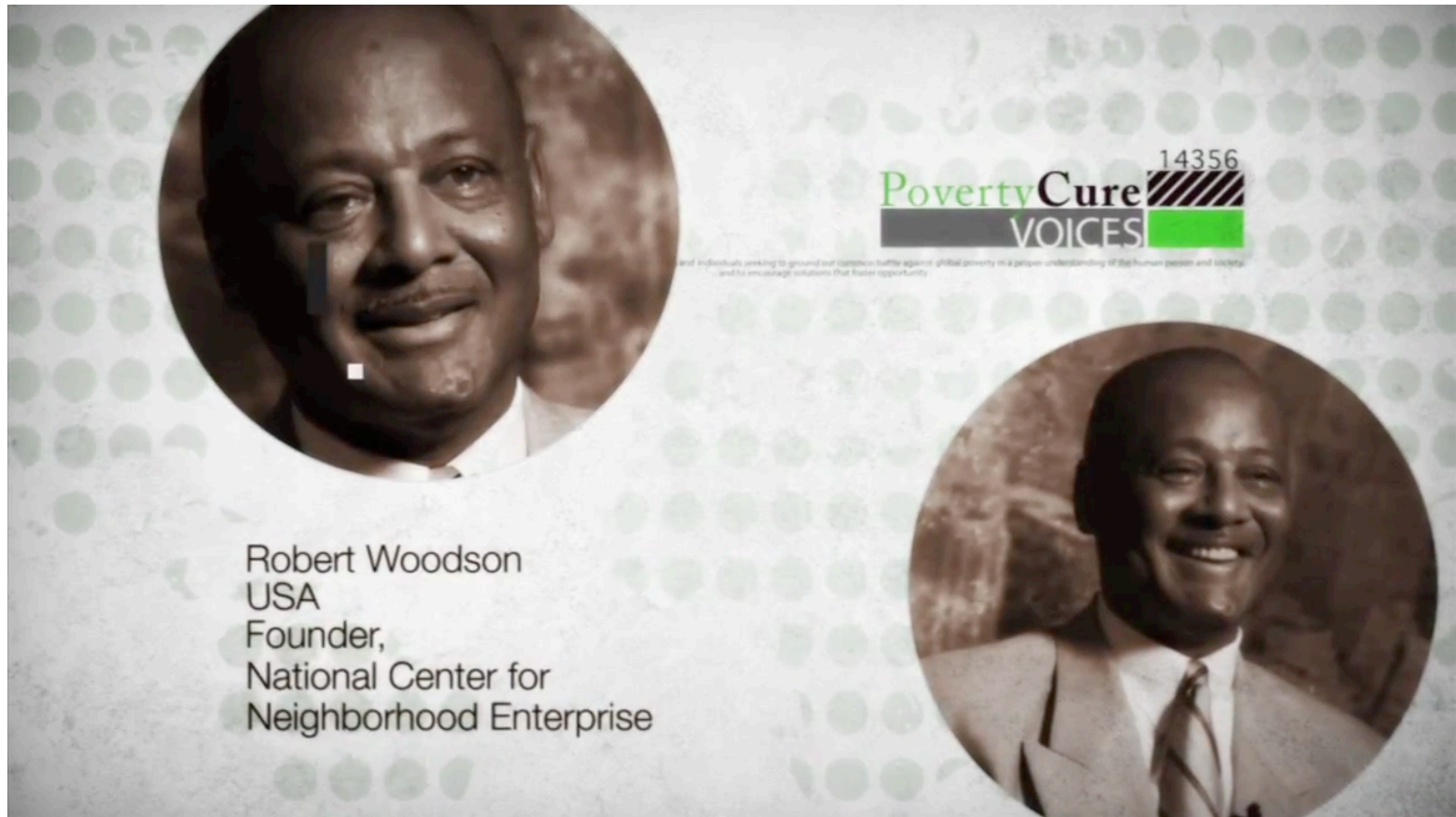


# Subsidiarity

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An organizing principle that matters ought to be handled by the smallest, lowest or least centralized competent authority.

# Local Antibodies



# Effective Compassion

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1. Affiliation
2. Bonding
3. Categorization
4. Discernment
5. Employment
6. Freedom
7. God

What does this look  
like practically?



# Summer Shine





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# Overcoming Poverty



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PERPETUAL HELP HOME



# Dwight Hunter



# 5 Steps for Action

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1. Pray and seek wise counsel.
2. Think before you act.
3. Realize that good intentions alone don't solve poverty.
4. Educate yourself on the principles of effective compassion.
5. Investigate the organizations you are supporting and hold them accountable.