# THE GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

### PROCESS TOOL

## HOPE OF THE WORLD—Bill Hybels

#### GOAL

- ► To gain renewed hope for God<sup>1</sup>s redemptive plan: The Local Church
- ▶ To gain clarity around your specific call to ministry in The Local Church

#### SURVEY YOUR SITUATION

- After you have watched the video, we suggest that you take 30 to 40 minutes to process the content. Please begin with prayer. Ask God, through the Holy Spirit, to bring the right leadership situations to your mind—and to give you fresh ideas as you think through the implications of this message in your context.
- If you are at a table with more than eight people, we suggest dividing into smaller groups of four to seven so that everyone has an opportunity to participate.

#### **PROCESS QUESTIONS**

- In the clip, Bill stated that our hope for the Church is grounded on the One who is building the Church– Jesus Christ. And that according to Scripture, building the Church is the <u>only</u> thing that Jesus is doing right now. Take a few minutes for personal reflection using the questions below. When you are done, if you feel comfortable, share your insights with your team.
  - If Jesus is the builder of the Church, what is your role right now?
  - Has there ever been a time when you have mixed up your role with that of Jesus? What did that look like?
  - What might change in your ministry if you authentically lived this truth—that Jesus was the builder? List the ways below.
- **2.** Think about a time that you felt God's tap on your shoulder, identifying a special role for you to play in building the local church. Share that experience with your group—and what happened.

**3.** Have you been sensing any new promptings from God lately? Maybe God birthed a new call through this message—or maybe He ignited something that has been stirring for a long time. Take five minutes to journal your thoughts below. Then come back and share with your group.

- **4.** Bill challenged everyone at the conference to pray a specific prayer of commitment. Take some time right now to read the prayer together as a team and to sign the card. A PDF of the Morning Prayer is available for download at the Taste of Summit webpage.
  - What difference would praying this prayer make in your ministry?
  - Right now, schedule a time in the calendar to get back together at the end of 30 days. Commit to sharing what happened in your times with God over that month.

**SHORT VERSION CLOSE**—If you watched the "short version" of this clip, please invite members of the group to share any additional thoughts or insights. Close your time in prayer.

LONG VERSION (Continued) - If you watched the "long version" you may proceed to the questions below.

**5**. Bill shared his process around the phrase—"The Local Church is the Hope of the World". He divided his journey into three phases:

PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3
Dangerously Hopeless	Cautiously Hopeful	Abundantly Hopeful

How can your ministry become a clearer expression of Jesus' redemptive plan? What needs to change so that your ministry can more fully become a "hope for the world"? Share with your team.

#### LONG VERSION CLOSE

Wrap up your discussion time in prayer for the Church–locally and globally. Thank Jesus that He's the one responsible for building the church.