



Help Develop Your Community

God's people are commanded to show compassion to the poor. Each Christian has a unique set of gifts, callings, and responsibilities that influence the way we carry this out. By understanding the foundational concepts and principles outlined in this book, you will learn how to help those in need and develop your community.

When Helping Hurts will help you:

- Identify foundational concepts and clear principles for helping the poor without hurting them.
- Realize the general principles for all poverty alleviation efforts including:
 - the importance of distinguishing between relief, rehabilitation, and development;
 - the difference between asset-based and needs-based strategies;
 - the advantages of participatory over blueprint approaches;
- Evaluate the importance of the role of the local church.

Where to get *When Helping Hurts*:

Order *When Helping Hurts* from Amazon.com or pick it up from your local bookseller.

Ideas for using *When Helping Hurts*:

- Use the "Initial Thoughts," "Reflection Questions and Exercises," and several longer exercises to help apply these principals to your own life.
- Go to <http://www.chalmers.org/when-helping-hurts/index.php> for study guides and materials and organize or join a group to read and discuss.
- Participate in a community development opportunity offered by your campus that uses *When Helping Hurts* as a resource.

