

**Review of *Butterfly in Brazil: How Your Life Can Make a World of Difference*  
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Lots of folks dream dramatically changing the world for God, but many don't really try to do it. Desperation Band member Packiam clues readers on why so many fall short and offers wonderful insight into how to start. "Instead of waiting for great things happen, we should be asking God, 'What do I do about this idea now?'...Everything that God has put inside us must be expressed and acted on here and now—or it will never multiply and grow." The little things we do now, he says, can be transformed into big things for God. Packiam uses the biblical story of Nehemiah as a backdrop for his discussion of the secrets of creating lasting change, which he says is small, local, and gradual. Packiam calls readers to stay focused, recognizing that change must be accompanied by love and that it will ultimately cost something. This is a clear and necessary call to change Christians' thinking about how to best live for God. Packiam's writing and message are strong: "When everyone is faithful with what they have to do, right where they are, over long periods of time, together we make an impact large enough to change the world."