



Church Multiplication Movement



WHY CHURCH PLANTING MOVEMENTS?



INTRODUCTION

THE PRESENT SCENARIO

Encountering the world of Islam

- 1/5 of humanity bows to Islam's Allah
- 20% of the world are Muslims
- 60% of the world's poor are Muslim
- 80% of the world's refugees are Muslim



GO TO Matthew 28:16-20

- People who hate you
- People who will want to kill you
- Those we love and fear
- People who don't love you
- People who are different from you

Go *refers to change of heart
rather than just moving*



DEFINITIONS



DEFINITIONS EVERY CHURCH PLANTER SHOULD KNOW

THE EDGE

- Where God is working by His Holy Spirit and through His representatives to seek out and meet lostness for the purpose of ministry, appropriate evangelism, discipleship, and church planting in order to establish a Church Planting Movement.



CHURCH

- A local group of baptized believers in the Lord Jesus Christ who gather regularly for worship, nurture, and fellowship; and who depart the gathering endeavoring to obey all the commands of the Lord Jesus Christ in their families and communities.



CHURCH PLANTING

- The process of winning individuals and families to Christ through any and all means that effectively communicate to the culture, then gathering and baptizing them into the Body of Christ for the purpose of being and doing church




CHURCH PLANTING MOVEMENT

- Local churches within a people group rapidly and regularly planting multiple new churches within the same people group as a normal part of being and doing church.



WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT CHURCH PLANTING

- You will not find “Church Planting Movements” mentioned anywhere in the Bible.
- Yet, the first century world was swirling with new converts and multiplying indigenous churches planting churches which are Church Planting Movements.



Let's take a look at the characteristics of Church Planting Movements and see what the Bible has to say about them.




Abundant Gospel Sowing

- 2 Corinthians 9:6 (...whoever sows generously will also reap generously.)
- 1 Thessalonians 1:8 (The Lord's message rang out from you...)



All Peoples Will Be Reached

- Psalms 67 (Let all the peoples praise you.)
- Matthew 24:3, 14 (...and this gospel shall be preached to all peoples.)
- Revelation 5:9 (..you purchased men for God from every tribe...)

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- Revelation 7:9 (...a multitude that no one could count, from every nation...)
 - Revelation 15:4 (All nations will come and worship before you.)
 - Psalm 96 (Ascribe to the Lord, O families of nations...)



God Will Do It

- Philippians 1:6 (He who began...will do it.)
- 1 Peter 4:11 (...do it with the strength God provides.)


God's Word

- Acts 17:11 (...examined the Scriptures every day to see if...)



House Churches


- Acts 5:42 (...from house to house...)
- Acts 8:3 (Saul began to destroy the church. Going from house to house...)
- Acts 12:12 (...the house of Mary...where many people had gathered...)


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- Romans 16:5 (Greet also the church that meets at their house.)
 - 1 Corinthians 16:19 (...the church that meets at their house.)
 - Colossians 4:15 (...the church in her house.)
 - Philemon 2 (...the church that meets in your home.)



Lay Leadership

- Psalm 119:97-100 (I have more insight than my teachers...for I obey...)
- Jeremiah 1:7 (Do not say, 'I am only a child...')

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- Luke 8:39 (...so the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus...)
 - Acts 4:13 (...they were unschooled, ordinary men.)
 - 1 Corinthians 1:26 (...not many were wise by human standards...)

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- 2 Corinthians 3:4-5 (Not that we are competent in ourselves...)
 - 1 Timothy 4:12 (Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young.)
 - 1 Peter 2:9-10 (...you are a royal priesthood...)
 - 1 Peter 4:10-11 (Each one should use whatever gift he has...)



Indigenous Leadership (Model, Equip, Watch & Leave)

- 2 Timothy 2:2 (...entrust to reliable men...)
- Titus 1:5 (...appoint elders in every town...)



Multiple Church Leaders

- 1 Corinthians 12:7 (Now to each one...the Spirit is given for the common good.)
- 1 Corinthians 14:26 (...everyone has a hymn, or a word...a revelation...)
- Ephesians 4:11-16 (...some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some...)



Oikos Evangelism (Community Implications to Evangelism)

- Acts 16:15 (...she and the members of her household were baptized.)
- Acts 16:31 (...you will be saved—you and your household.)




Paradigm Shift

- Habbakuk 1:5 (...you would not believe even if you were told.)
- Matt. 9:17 (...new wineskins)
- Romans 12:1 (Be not conformed to this world...)
- Jonah 1-4, (the reluctant missionary)



Persecution and Suffering

- Matthew 10:17-25 (A student is not above his teacher.)
- 2 Corinthians 11:23-29 (I have known hunger and thirst.)

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- 1 Peter 4:12-13 (Do not be surprised [that] you are suffering.)
 - Revelation 6:9-11 (How long [until] you avenge our blood?)
 - Revelation 12:10-12 (He is filled with fury, he knows his time is short.)



Prayer

- Psalms 2:8 (...ask of me and I will give you the ends of the earth.)
- Luke 5:16 (...Jesus often went off to a lonely place and prayed.)
- Luke 6:12 (...Jesus...spent the night praying to God...)



Rapid Spread of the Gospel

- Acts 2:47 (...the Lord added to their number daily those...being saved.)
- Acts 19:20 (In this way the word of the Lord spread widely and grew in power.)



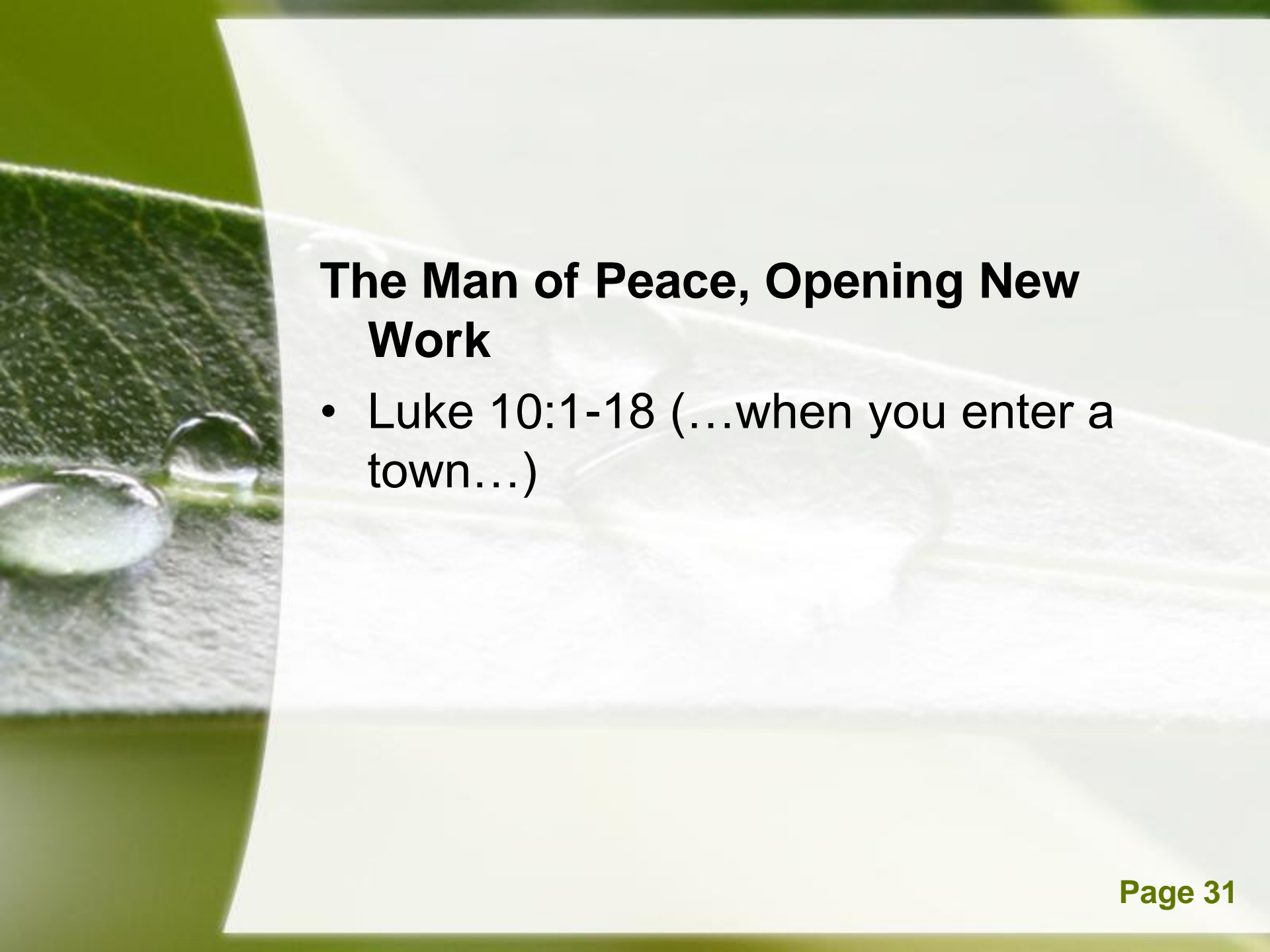
Rapid Assimilation of New Believers

- Acts 2:41 (Those who accepted his message were baptized...that day.)
- Acts 8:26-39 (Look, here is water. Why shouldn't I be baptized?)
- Acts 16:5 (...the churches...grew daily in numbers.)
- Acts 18:5 (...grew daily in numbers.)



Remove Obstacles

- Luke 3:4-6 (...make straight the way of the Lord...)



The Man of Peace, Opening New Work

- Luke 10:1-18 (...when you enter a town...)



Unreached People Groups

- Matthew 18:12-13 (Parable of the Lost Sheep)
- Romans 15:20-23 (...my ambition to preach where Christ was not known)





CHARACTERISTICS




CHARACTERISTIC OF A CHURCH PLANTING MOVEMENT (CPM)

- A low ratio of Missionaries to local workers
- High ration of worksites (Bible studies, preaching point and etc) to local workers
- High percentage of the work is less than two years old

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- High emphasis on every-member or grassroots discipleship
 - High percentage of churches are started by lay leaders
 - Churches understand that one of their primary functions is to plant other churches as frequently as possible, and they have a passion to do this

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- Church buildings are not a priority and are usually not an issue
 - There is a high level of commitment by all leadership to the health and welfare of the church
 - There is a high level of sacrifice by church member and leaders in order to see new churches started

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- There is a whole lot of activity by the churches and the leadership that result in people being saved, new churches being started, and established churches growing.
 - Leaders are men and women of prayer



CHARACTERISTICS OF A CHURCH PLANTER

1. Loves the Lord with all his or her heart, mind, soul, and strength.
2. Loves people as him or herself.
3. Labors to evangelize the lost, gather the saved, develop a local church, train local leadership, and to move on as soon as possible.
4. Lives life of Obedience and Learning

ACCESS THE COMMUNITY THROUGH ...

Event strategies

Process strategies

Global Community Games

Tournament, League, Camp

Major Sport Event

Others

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Community development

Others

Identify the Person of Peace

Initiate a Discovery Bible Study

Plant the Church

Multiply 2nd Generation Church




THE MAN OF PEACE

TEACHING ON THE MAN OF PEACE


- Matthew 10:5-20
- Luke 9:1-6
- Luke 10:1-16


THE MAN OF PEACE

- Matthew 8:5 Centurion
- Matthew 9:9-13 Tax Collector
- Matthew 9 Blind Man
- Mark 5:1-20 Demoniac of the Gerasenes
- Luke 7:11-17 Widow's son raised from the dead

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- Luke 19:1-10 Zacchaeus the Tax Collector
 - John 1:41-42 Andrew brought Peter
 - John 1:43-50 Phillip brought Nathanael
 - John 3 Nicodemus
 - John 4:1-26 Samaritan Woman at the well

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- John 5:1-15 Cripple at the pool of Bethesda
 - John 9:1-41 Man Born Blind
 - Acts 8:26-40 Ethiopian Eunuch
 - Acts 9:1-31 Saul
 - Acts 10 Cornelius
 - Acts 13:6-12 Sergius Paulus

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- Acts 16:11-15 Lydia in Philippi
 - Acts 16:16-40 Philippian Jailer
 - Acts 17:11 Description of what MOP does
 - Acts 17:34 Dionysius and Damaris
 - Acts 18:1-4 Aquila and Pricilla
(see Romans 16:3-5)


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- Acts 18:7-8 Crispus, the synagogue ruler
 - Acts 18:24-28 Apollos
 - Acts 28:7-10 Publius
 - Romans 16:5 Epenetus was first convert
 - 1 Cor. 1:16 Stephanus




COUNTERINTUITIVE AND CRITICAL ELEMENTS

COUNTER INTUITIVE


1. Go slow at first to go fast later...
focus on few to win many
2. Stay only where Jesus has prepared
someone's heart to hear and obey
3. Do not focus on personal
evangelism... focus on evangelizing
the whole community through
families


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4. Start with creation not Christ
 5. Disciple people to conversion... not vice versa
 6. A novice insider will produce more fruit than a highly trained outsider
 7. Prepare to spend a long time making strong disciples, but anticipate miracle accelerations

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8. The best time for a church to plant a new church is when it is brand new
 9. Focus on discipling ordinary people not developing “Professional” Christians
 10. Expect the hardest places to yield the greatest result
 11. Small for-profit project often yield much higher long term access to resistant areas than free services

THE CRITICAL ELEMENTS

1. Start with prayer – know the mind of God and join Him in His work
2. Everything is grounded in Scripture
3. Focus is on households, not individuals
4. Make Disciples, not converts
5. Teach obedience-based discipleship, not knowledge-based

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6. Plan your work and work your plan – be intentional in Evangelism and Church Planting
 7. Start with the Man of Peace or an existing relationship that will permit a Discovery Bible Study or Witness
 8. Form new believers into minimum practice groups that will become churches

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9. Develop a group DNA of urgent obedience that will reach out to “ALL”
 10. Develop a group DNA of rapidly reproducing disciples, leaders, groups and churches
 11. Training is done “On the Job”
 12. Keep all things reproducible by local leaders




13. Use unpaid local leaders to start new groups

14. Authority of Scripture and the Holy Spirit are all that is needed to start

15. Do not require cultural suicide

16. Persecution is part of being a Christian



17. Discipleship and Training are continuous and primarily done through mentoring


18. Model, Equip, Watch, and Leave



WHAT IS THE CHURCH?


NATURE OF THE CHURCH


- Belongs to Christ (Matt. 16:18)
- Built on foundation of Apostles, Prophets, and Christ (Matt. 16:18, Eph. 2:19-22)
- Holy (Matt. 18:15-18, Acts 5:11, 1Cro. 1:2, Eph. 5:22-32)


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- Universal (Gal. 3:26-28, Eph. 2:11-22, Rev. 5:9, 7:9)
 - United (Jn. 17:20-23, 1Cor. 1:10, Eph. 4:1-6)
 - Led, Empowered Gifted by Holy Spirit (Acts 13:1-3, 1Cor. 12:1-30)

FUNCTION OF THE CHURCH

- Worship (Acts 2:42-47, 13:1-3, 1Peter 2:1-10)
- Lord's Supper (Acts 2:42-47, 1Cron. 10:14-22, 1Cron. 11:17-34)
- Singing (1Cron.14:26, Eph. 5:19-20, Col. 3:12-17)

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- Praying (Acts 2:42-47)
 - Reading the Word (1Tim.4:13)
 - Reverence and Awe (1Cron. 11:17-34, Heb 12:28-29)
 - Baptism (Matt. 28:18-20, Acts 2:41, Acts 8:12, Acts 36:38, Acts 10:44-48, Rom. 6:1-4)

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- Teaching (Matt. 28:18-20, Acts 2:24-47, 1Cor. 14:26, 2Tim. 2:2, 2Tim. 4:2)
 - Discipline (Matt. 18:15-18, 1Cron. 5:1-13, 2Cron. 2:5-11)
 - Fellowship and Encouragement (Act. 2:42-47, 1Thess 5:11, Heb. 10:24-25)

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- Taking Care of Each Others' Needs (1Cron. 16:1-4, 2Cron.8:1-5, Gal. 6:9-10)
 - Evangelism and Mission (Matt. 28:18-20, Luke 24:45-49, John 20:21-23, Acts 1-8)



DISCIPLESHIP



DISCIPLESHIP AND SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

HOW TO MULTIPLY DISCIPLES


- Discipleship. All Christians know it is important, but few know exactly what it means.
- Even fewer have a clear strategy to make disciples.

**By looking at Jesus in the gospels,
we can see a clear discipleship
strategy and pattern**

WHAT IS DISCIPLESHIP?


When Jesus calls a person to be his disciple, He issues a three fold call:


1. Discipleship is a call to follow Jesus. The starting point of being a disciple is to follow Jesus. Matthew 4:19, I Corinthians 11:1, I Corinthians 4:15-16




2. Discipleship is a call to spiritual family.

- None of the original disciples attempted to follow Jesus alone.
- Following Jesus meant following along with other disciples

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- In time, as they walked with Jesus and with one another, they became a spiritual family
 - Jesus referred to his disciples as brothers, sisters, fathers, and mothers – spiritual family
 - Matthew 12:47-50, John 19:26-27



3. Discipleship is a call to fish for men.
Jesus expects all who follow Him to
reach out to the lost. Mark 1:17,
Matthew 9:9-13



**IN SUMMARY, THE CALL TO
DISCIPLESHIP IS A CALL TO
BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH
GOD, GOD'S PEOPLE, AND
LOST PEOPLE**


The call to follow is a call to build a relationship with God.


- The call to family is a call to build relationships with God's people
- The call to fish is a call to build relationships with lost people




MAKING AND MULTIPLYING DISCIPLES

- Making disciples happens when we disciple others.
- Multiplying disciples happens when those we disciple begin to make disciples.
- All this is not just to make disciples, but to multiply.

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- As we look at the pattern of discipleship that Jesus modeled in the gospels, we see several principles that are keys to the multiplication process.
 - Many times these principles seem, on the surface, to be opposites.


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- Multiplication and maturity result when we learn to apply both sides of seemingly contradictory truths in the discipleship setting

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- Following are two discipleship principles that must be held to while not letting go of the other:
 1. The individual and the twelve. Matt. 4:18-22
 2. The twelve and the multitudes. Matt. 4:25, Matt. 5:1-2




THE POWER OF DISCIPLESHIP


- Discipleship is more than being a good church member.
- It is more than completing a Bible study course.
- What are we trying to accomplish in the life of a disciple?



1. Foundation: The first goal of discipleship is to establish spiritual foundations in the life of each disciple.


The following scriptures teach three important truths about foundations


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- Obedience establishes spiritual foundation Matthew 7:24-25
 - Jesus is the only foundation - I Corinthians 3:11
 - Repentance is foundational - II Timothy 2:19



2. Freedom: What are we trying to accomplish through the discipleship process?

Freedom. One goal of discipleship is to see all spiritual bondages and sin patterns broken. Discipleship produces breakthrough when we realize that.

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- Freedom comes from Jesus. II
Corinthians 3:17-18
 - Freedom comes through faith.
Galatians 5:13




3. **Faith:** Faith was always an issue when Jesus discipled the twelve.

He


- stretched their faith,
- commended people who had faith and
- rebuked little faith.

I Timothy 6:12, Hebrews 11:6



4. Fruitfulness: Since we believe that every disciple should make disciples, one goal of discipleship is fruitfulness. John 15 speaks of five levels of fruitfulness

- No Fruit. John 15:2
- Fruit. John 15:2
- More Fruit. John 15:2
- Much Fruit. John 15:5,8
- Lasting Fruit. John 15:16



5. Family: Jesus expected His disciples not just to follow Him, but to walk with one another. He spoke of them as family. Matthew 12:47-50, I Thessalonians 2:11,12, Ephesians 2:19

THE FORM OF DISCIPLESHIP

- Evangelize the lost
- Establish new believers
- Equip all believers
- Expand the ministry




WHO ARE THE LOST?

MATTHEW 9:9-12

We see from these verses:

- Matthew was following Jesus and also reaching out to sinners.
- The Pharisees questioned this.
- Jesus compared the lost in need of a Savior to the sick who need a doctor.

Who are the sick and lost that we are to reach?

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- Unsaved
 - Unchurched
 - Backsliders
 - Compromisers
and counterfeits
 - Lost sheep


- Sick sheep
- Starving sheep
- Abused sheep
- Wondering sheep
- Sheep without
Shepherd

OBEDIENCE BASED DISCIPLESHIP

In making a disciple in Church Planting Movement, the emphasis must be on obedience based discipleship

References


- Genesis 22:18
- Genesis 26:4:5
- Leviticus 18:4
- Deut. 7:9
- John 1:7
- 2 Kings 17:13

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- Numbers 15:39
 - 1Samuel 12:14
 - Psa. 103:17-18
 - Matt. 28:19-20
 - John 14:15
 - Acts 5:29
 - Exodus 24:7
 - Exodus 19:5
 - Psa. 119:57
 - Luke 11:28
 - John 14:23
 - 2Th. 1:8

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- 2Th. 3:14
 - Titus 1:6
 - 1Peter 4:17-19
 - Revelation 14:12
 - 1John 3:22
 - Romans 2:13
 - Heb. 5:8-9
 - 1John 5:3
 - 1 John 2:3
 - 1 John 3:24

POINTS TO NOTE

- If a disciple is not willing to learn and teach others, don't waste your time on him/her
- Ask 2 questions:
 1. Who are you willing to teach?
 2. Can you teach me what your have being teaching others?

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- Invest your time in others who are ready to teach others. II Tim. 2:2, Matt. 28:18-20, Deut. 6:1-8, Matt. 22:34-40, Luke 10:1-17
 - Second scheme of Satan is to win one soul and fail to reach the whole family



TYPICAL ROADBLOCKS

INTERNAL ROADBLOCKS TO CHURCH PLANTING

- Church culture
 - Dress code
 - Style of worship
 - Language, jargon
 - Liturgy

EXTERNAL ROADBLOCKS TO CHURCH PLANTING

- Islam
- African traditional religion
 - Spiritism
 - Practices, e.g. female circumcision
- Culture of the world
- Worldviews



CHURCH GROWTH VS. CHURCH MULTIPLICATION

CHURCH GROWTH TYPES

Elephant Type Church



- ❖ Big
- ❖ Lots of programmes
- ❖ Holy Atmosphere (“church-like”)
 - Stained glass
 - Choir
 - Good preaching



People are inspired and saved



Indispensable
Need to grow

BUT

Slow to Multiply

- ❖ Fertile 4 times a year
- ❖ One baby per pregnancy (22 months gestation period)
- ❖ Sexual maturity ... 18 years

One Pair of Elephants



One Pair of Elephants
...The family grows from 2 to 3



Each
12,000 lbs (5,500 kg)

Total
36,000 lbs (16,500 kg)

Rabbit Type Church

- ❖ Small Group Oriented
- ❖ Scripture is Primary Source of all Teaching



Rabbits are small

Rabbits

Multiply Rapidly

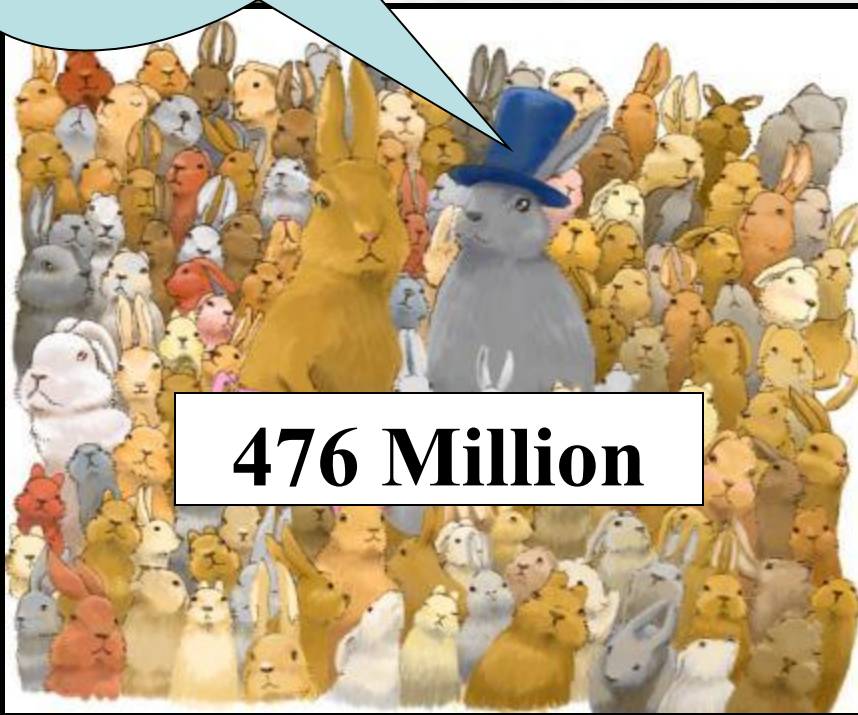
BUT

- ❖ Practically continuously fertile
- ❖ Average of 7 babies per pregnancy (1 month gestation period)
- ❖ Sexual Maturity... 4 months

In 3 years... Two Rabbits become...



Honey,
What should we
do?



Each
2.2 lbs (1 kg)

Total
1,047,200,000
lbs
(476,000,000 kg)

