

## Grow Leader Conference

(Acts 16:5 NIV) So the churches were strengthened in the faith and grew daily in numbers.

### 1. It is God's will for my church to grow.

(Genesis 1:28 NKJV) Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply."

Growth is essential as long as heaven and hell are realities.

(Matthew 25:24-30 NIV) "Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. 'Master,' he said, 'I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.' "His master replied, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest. "'So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "

### 2. My growth potential is different from yours.

(Galatians 6:4-5 NIV) Each one should test their own actions. Then they can take pride in themselves alone, without comparing themselves to someone else, for each one should carry their own load.

## 3. We can get better.

### God's Vision for His Church

(Proverbs 29:18 MSG) If people can't see what God is doing, they stumble all over themselves; but when they attend to what he reveals, they are most blessed.

“Our greatest fear should not be of failure, but of succeeding at something that really doesn't matter.”

~D.L. Moody

Lost people saved.

Saved people pastored.

Pastored people trained.

Trained people mobilized.

(Mark 16:15-20 NIV) He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will accompany those who believe... Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by the signs that accompanied it.

(Exodus 6:6-7 NIV) Therefore, say to the Israelites: “I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. I will free you from being slaves to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with mighty acts of judgment. I will take you as my own people, and I will be your God. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God, who brought you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians.

The Cup of Sanctification.

The Cup of Deliverance.

The Cup of Redemption.

The Cup of Praise.

(Isaiah 61:1-4 NIV) The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, because the LORD has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, and provide for those who grieve in Zion— to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the LORD for the display of his splendor. They will rebuild the ancient ruins and restore the places long devastated; they will renew the ruined cities that have been devastated for generations.

Proclaim Good News.

Bind up the brokenhearted.

Bestow on them beauty instead of ashes.

They rebuild others.

(Colossians 1:28-29 NIV) He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone fully mature in Christ. To this end I strenuously contend with all the energy Christ so powerfully works in me.

Proclaim Christ to them.

Admonish them.

Teach them.

Present them fully mature.

## Vision to Grow

(Ephesians 1:16-18 NIV) I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people.

Know God.

Find Freedom.

Discover Purpose.

Make a Difference.

### 1. Know God.

(Luke 15:7 NIV) I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

## The Revelation

Reaching the lost is our primary purpose.

Create Church Services that both unchurched people and Christians love to attend.

(Acts 15:19 NIV) “It is my judgment, therefore, that we should not make it difficult for the Gentiles who are turning to God.”

## 2. Find freedom.

(James 5:16 NIV) Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed.

### The Revelation

Real life change happens in the context of relationships.

Create Small Groups where people can build community, find freedom and take next steps.

(Acts 20:20 NIV) You know that I have not hesitated to preach anything that would be helpful to you but have taught you publicly and from house to house.

## 3. Discover purpose.

(Romans 12:6 NIV) We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us.

(Ephesians 4:11-12 NIV) So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up.

### The Revelation

The ministers lead and the people minister.

Create an easy, obvious, and effective Growth Track where people can discover their purpose.

#### 4. Make a difference.

(John 15:8, 11 NIV) This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples... I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

#### The Revelation

God has already hard-wired every person to live a life of transcendence.

Create a gift-oriented opportunity for people to serve on the Dream Team.

(Psalm 92:13 NKJV) Those who are planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God.

If the conditions are right, life will happen.