Multiplication, Part 2

PATTERNS IN CHURCH PLANTING MOVEMENTS (CPMs)

CPMs exist and grow in many parts of the world today. These movements demonstrate the amazing work of God in multiplying believers, workers, and churches. Examining these movements, we find several important patterns—many of which are absent in western culture.

1 Authority of Scripture

In what ways do you demonstrate that God's Word has the highest authority?

2 Extraordinary Prayer

Are you praying as though everything depends on God?

3 Abundant Sowing of the Gospel

How many lost people in your nation will hear the Gospel today?

4 Family-Based Conversion Patterns

Why should people share first with their family and closest friends?

5 Immediate Involvement of New Believers

How long must a new believer wait to be baptised? to be trained? to share the Gospel? to take part in leading?

6 Continual Training of Trainers

Are you willing to train others and hold them accountable?

7 Intentional Planting of Reproducing Churches

Why is it that simple, informal churches can be the most effective?

8 Willingness to Obey Jesus at Any Cost

Throughout Acts, what were the consequences of following Jesus boldly?

PHILIPPIANS 1:29 For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for him.

WHAT'S IT GOING TO TAKE TO REACH OUR NATION?

In the model prayer Jesus gave His disciples, He shared God's vision for the world: "Your Kingdom come, Your will be done on earth..." (Matt. 6.10).

?	In most countries of the world, less than 10 percent of the people love and obey God
	What would our nation be like if God's vision was completely fulfilled?

What is the total population of our nation or people group?
What percentage of these people love and obey God?
Use these figures to determine how many people must be reached:

In order to reach vast numbers of people, we must be sure to ask the right question.

The wrong question requires little faith and produces little fruit: "What can I do to help?"

The *right* question requires God-sized faith and yields God-sized results: "What's it going to take to reach our nation?"



Take time to prayerfully answer this second question.

At this point hand out two copies of this lesson sheet to each participant. Let then practise teaching one another what you just taught them.

ASSIGNMENTS 🔑



OBEY at least one thing you learned from this lesson or your study of *Acts*.

SHARE the gospel message with at least one person over the next week.

STUDY Acts 25-28.

WRITE what God is teaching you, using the *Acts Worksheet* (handout).

TRAIN at least one other believer outside this group, just as you were trained.

