Let's Get Practical

Imagining & Leading the Way Forward

Missional Leadership Class August 19, 2020

Insights from Homework?

- Five-Fold APEST Survey
- Studying One-Anothers in Scripture

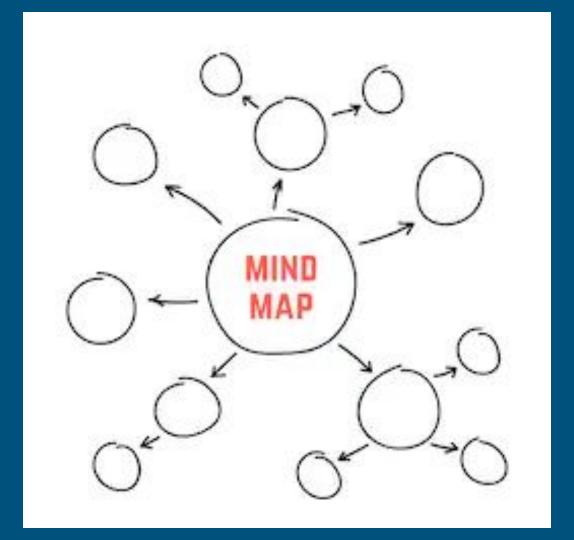
Kingdom Experimentation

- What does it mean to be the Church in a pandemic? What if we could never go back in the building?
- How do we move from "forced disruption" to "constructive and creative disruption"?
- Wayne Gretzky "Skate to where the puck is going, not where it has been."
- Accidental Church Plant story



"Who Should I Invite?" Person Mapping

- What networks are you connected with?
- What people groups are you connected to?
- Who are the people in your life that may be open to gathering?
- Where do you have natural intersections with people?



Guiding Principles

- If we want to reach people no one else is reaching we need to do what no one else is doing
- Focus on being equippers not just providers of spiritual goods and services
- Differences between small groups and missional gatherings?
- Very new and very old approach to Church

Working through the Worship Guide

- Opening Call to Worship
- Worship in Song
- Connection Time
- Prayer

(Kids potentially dismissed)

- Teaching Time
- (Communion)
- Benediction

Focusing on the Teaching Time

- Read Colossians 3:12-17
- Share
- Discuss
- Conclude

Read Col 3:12-17

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Read Col 3:12-17 cont.

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Share

What one word that stood out to you in the reading?

Discuss

- What makes your heart sing in this scripture? What makes it sting?
- What does this passage reveal about God's heart?
- What questions do you have in response to this scripture?
- Where are you experiencing clarity or conflict in this scripture?
- Which one-anothers in Col 3 do we do well in a traditional worship gathering? Which ones are often absent? How might they become part of a missional gathering?
- In light of this scripture, what is God asking you to continue?
 What is God asking you to change or stop?

Conclude

- Take a moment of stillness and ask the Spirit to show you what you need to take from today. What is God showing you? How will you respond?
- Invite people to share if they wish.

What to do with Children?

- Choose to Value:
 - Kids
 - Multi-generational Learning
 - Community ("kids problem" question for entire group not just parents)
- Embrace Messiness (Jesus' ministry was!)
- Hybrid approach with children's teaching time
- Remain with group adjust discussion/scripture

Questions?

Homework

- 1. Read "Going to Church in the First Century" by Banks
- 2. Work on your Person Mapping
- 3. Invite 3-4 people