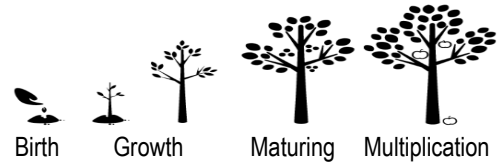




Taking AIM at Multiplication

Fall 2015



Opening

When have you felt like an outsider?

Read Leviticus 19:33-34; Exodus 23:9

- What were God's commands on how to treat strangers? Why is this so important to God?
- How could Israel relate to being a stranger? How can you?

Read Luke 10:29-37

- What kept the Pharisee and Levite from helping the stranger?
- What did the Samaritan sacrifice to help?
- In this passage, what made the Samaritan a true neighbor? What would it look like for your group to be that kind of neighbor? What would you sacrifice? Gain?

Read John 12:24-25

- Why did Jesus use this analogy with his small group of disciples?
- What would it look like if this was the analogy for a group? What might feel like death? Life? Harvest?

Read Matthew 28:18-20

- What mission did Jesus call his small group of disciples to go and do?
- What did it require of this small group?
- Do you think your group would continue if your leader left? Why or why not?
- What does it look like to be in relationship beyond a specific group?

Group Lifecycle Every group has a lifecycle that should birth, grow and multiply like the branches of a healthy family tree.

- In what life stage do you see your group?
- What would need to happen for your group to branch out and multiply?

Taking AIM The Great Commission requires groups to multiply in order to reach more outsiders. And to multiply groups, we must AIM — apprentice, invite and multiply.

- Who in your group could take the role of apprentice leader?
- What might it look like to make room and invite outsiders into your group?
- When do you think your group might be ready to multiply in the future? What might that look like?

Prayer

Lord, please help us grow and multiply our leadership and group so we can make more disciples and launch them into the mission of God.

Next Steps Use the planning worksheet on the back to agree on your next steps toward taking AIM to multiply. Then invite your coach to your group and discuss your plan.

