

SESSION
15
CONTEXTUALIZED

INSTRUCTOR



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GOALS

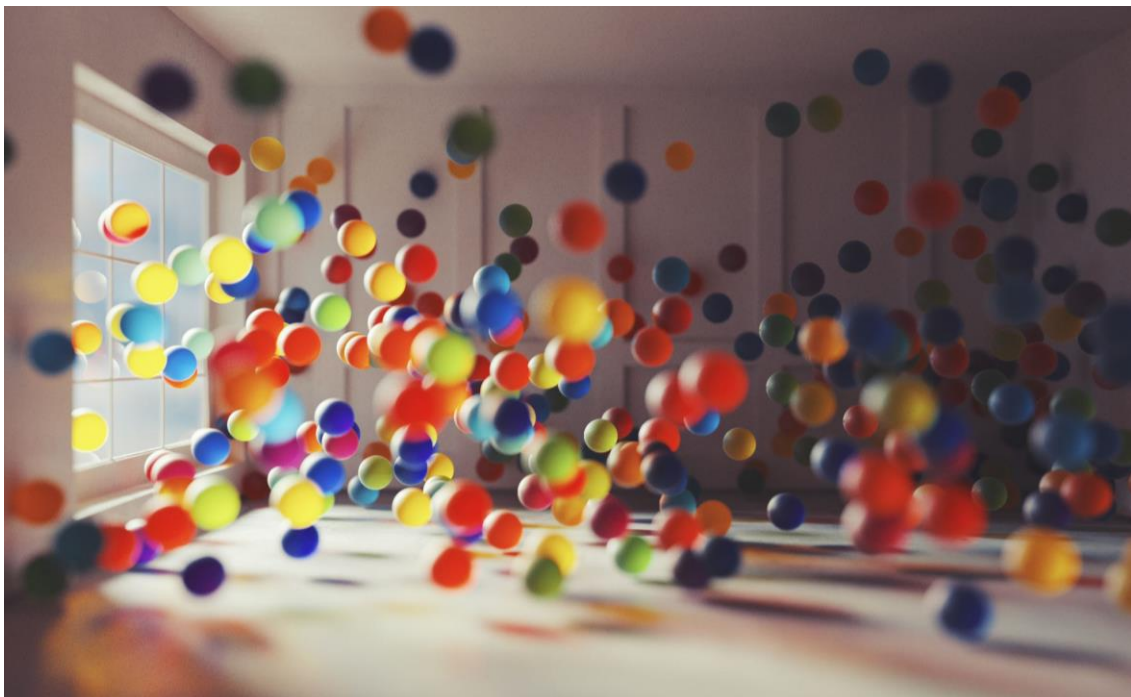
The course is broken down into twenty specific sessions. Each session will include a video lecture, course guide, and in some cases short assignments to help you grow. We encourage you to not only do this course on your own time, but with others who share the same passion to expand God's Kingdom.

SESSION OVERVIEW

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| 01 What is Church Planting | 02 Why Plant Churches |
| 03 Character & Characteristics Part 1 | 04 Character & Characteristics Part 2 |
| 05 Types of Church Planters | 06 Developing Faith |
| 07 Multiethnic Planters | 08 Failure |
| 09 Self-Assessment | 10 Your Church's DNA |
| 11 Gospel Driven | 12 Missional |
| 13 Mono/Multicultural | 14 Multiplicational |
| 15 Contextualized | 16 Prayerful |
| 17 Catholic/Cross Denominational | 18 Intentional |
| 19 Roots of Your Church plant | 20 Vision |

Session Summary

In this session Stephen will discuss the fifth DNA factor of being contextualized. He will begin with discussing the concern arose in missions, that missionaries were not only communicating the gospel, but also carrying over the forms of communicating the gospel that worked in their home context into the new context. He then will give biblical tools to help your church fit culturally into the context in which the church is being planted.



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COUSE GUIDE - Fill in the Blank

1. If you want to plant a quality church, then it needs to be _____.
2. Contextualization is a matter of creating a church that _____ fits in the _____ in which the church is being planted.
3. What works in one _____, will not necessarily work in another _____.
4. Paul explains in the book of Acts, the gospel _____ to the Jews and Greeks, because he knew they had a different world view.
5. The best illustration of contextualization is God and the _____.
6. Culture is created by _____.
7. Every culture has aspects that the people of God can _____ and aspects that the people of God should _____.
8. Contextualization crosses over into _____ and evangelism.
9. Biblical contextualization is _____ contextualization.
10. Everything that makes up the culture, you help the people to analyze it and rebuild it into something that God _____, and something that mirrors the _____ of God.

