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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

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 eighth DNA factor of being Intentional. He will explain why intentionality is the most important DNA factor because without this DNA factor none of the other DNA-factors will happen. They all go against the natural flow of our human tendencies.



Session 18: Intentional

COUSE GUIDE - Fill in the Blank

- 1. Intentionality is a ______ Spirit. A spirit that stays focused on the mission.
- Every one of the DNA factors given, come out of the
 ______ heart of God, and they go ______ the natural flow of our human tendencies.
- **3.** You only learn to relate to other believers as well as non-Christians as a gospel driven church if the leaders do this with ______.
- **4.** You need to look beyond ______ with intentionality, to identify where God wants you to go.
- 5. Only when the leadership intentionally calls the ______ of Jesus to be missionaries in their own circles and are willing to model it, will the church truly become ______.
- 6. We need to intentionally move out of our own and our team's ______ zones.
- We need to be intentional to communicate that it is OK to think
 ______ instead of only locally.
- 8. Intentionality requires us to always be reliant on the Holy Spirit to ______ go against our human tendencies.
- 9. You even must be intentional about ______!
- **10.** If you are ______ intentional, you will look back on all the dreams on the kind of church you wanted to plant, and you are going to just have to say, "It's just talk."

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

"Catholic" = universal = the global church = cross-denominational

1. Why is intentionality the most important DNA Factors of church planting?

- 2. What ways are the other 4 DNA-factors do-able only with intentionality?
 - > Contextual:
 - > Prayerful:
 - > Cross-denominational:
 - > Intentional:

PUTTING IT IN ACTION

1. Review all DNA-factors and write down how each one requires supernatural initiative (God) and human intentionality personally to You.

2. Intentionally **PRAY** about these and ask the Holy Spirit to guide you during the next weeks?