

# SESSION 05 TYPES OF CHURCH PLANTERS

### **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 Partners	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 you will understand the key differences in the types of church planters. You will learn if you are gifted to be church planter or a pastor of an established church. In addition, you will see the importance of Networking and putting the philosophy of your ministry into writing and how to talk about it constantly with the core group.



# **Session 5: Types of Church Planters**

## COUSE GUIDE - Fill in the Blank

- 1. If you are gifted to plant a church do not do anything expect to
- 2. Church planting is very costly it is very \_\_\_\_\_\_work.
- **3.** If you plant a church, make sure that \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the early years of the church's life is just as committed to the basic principles of church planting

4. Put your vision and mission in \_\_\_\_\_\_.

- 5. The first kind of church planter is the \_\_\_\_\_ church planter.
- 6. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ church planter is the one who remains to help the church multiply itself.
- 7. The third kind of church planter is the \_\_\_\_\_\_ church planter.
- 8. \_\_\_\_\_ helps you understand how to start your church planting journey and if you are qualified to start.
- **9.** There are \_\_\_\_\_\_ qualification levels in the church planting assessment process.
- 10. Assessment is a good thing and before you plant a church you should go thru an assessment plan to get the \_\_\_\_\_\_ that planting a church is or is not the right thing for you to do.

## **REFLECTION QUESTIONS**

1. Why is it important to surround yourself with like-minded team members who have the gifts, passion, and vision for church planting?

2. If you are a church planter, what kind of a church planter are you?

## PUT IT IN ACTION!

1. Put your philosophy of ministry in writing.

2. Begin to Network as much as you can!! List some practical ways how you can begin to Network and how you can intentionally spend time out in the harvest.

**3.** Commit to pray over your philosophy of ministry and networking over the next week.