



## *What is PLANT?*

### *Goal*

Understand what PLANT is and why we are using this framework

### *Introduction*

Hopefully, as followers of Jesus, we love sharing the gospel with those around us. But is there a clear process in how we approach evangelism? **PLANT's main objective** is to help us grow in our love and ability to share the story in a way that communicates to each person, no matter where they are from. The PLANT approach seeks to:

- **reinvigorate** our love for Jesus because it teaches us to align our hearts with His desires,
- **inspire** the pleasure of listening to others, assuming that God is at work in their hearts,
- **expose** our staff, student leaders, and volunteers to an abundance of tools and resources,
- **coach** us to give appropriate invitations to those we speak with, and
- **infuse** our movement with a culture of consistently sharing the gospel.

While PLANT includes training in particular evangelistic tools, it is a more comprehensive plan. It is built around the idea that evangelism is a process, not just a one-time event. PLANT is designed to help us move spiritual conversations to clear, contextual gospel presentations.

### *Bible Passage & Questions*

#### **Mark 4:1-20**

Put this passage in your own words.

- Why do you think Jesus uses sowing to describe evangelism?
- Are you comforted or discouraged to know that gospel seeds fall on four types of soil? Why?
- Can you share a story of God growing gospel seeds that you helped plant?

### *Consider & Discuss*

1. **Pray.** Why is it important for us to pray for our own love for Jesus to be reinvigorated *and* for opportunities to share?

2. **Listen.** How do you feel when someone listens well to you?
3. **Articulate.** In your own experience, what is the easiest way to articulate the gospel message?
4. **iNvite.** What are some examples of appropriate next steps to invite a person to take in their spiritual journey?
5. **Try again.** Share the story of someone who came to Christ after hearing the gospel many times.

As you think about the church or ministry outreach that you are a part of, or your own personal evangelism efforts, which of these five actions is your strongest point? Weakest? Why?

### *Next Steps (Individually & Collectively)*

This week take some time to pray and/or journal about which of these five points you want to grow in over the upcoming months. Share your insight with a ministry coach, pastor, friend, or teammate.