

Sermon Outline • October 5, 2008

Conditions For Growth • Part 1

"Empowering Leadership"

Introduction:

Conditions for Growth

*"This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man scatters seed on the ground. Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. All by itself the soil produces grain..." Mark 4:26-28*

• Natural Church Development

Quality Characteristic: "Empowering Leadership"

1. Leaders are not \_\_\_\_\_. (But leadership can be lonely.)

*"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from the words of my groaning?" Psalm 22:1*

2. Leadership is the developing of \_\_\_\_\_.

*"It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up..." Ephesians 4:11-12*

3. Leaders are \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ.

*"...just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Matthew 20:28*

Answers to Sermon Outline:

loners, partnerships, servants