



Revitalization through Culture Change

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Revitalization

- ▶ The process of making something grow, develop or become successful again. *Cambridge Dictionary*
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Revitalization

- ▶ The assumption that previously the system worked well and of course had a plan to implement the great commission
 - ▶ Systems do not replace the spiritual aspect of all things
 - ▶ It is the guidance of the Holy Spirit and our knowledge of the Bible
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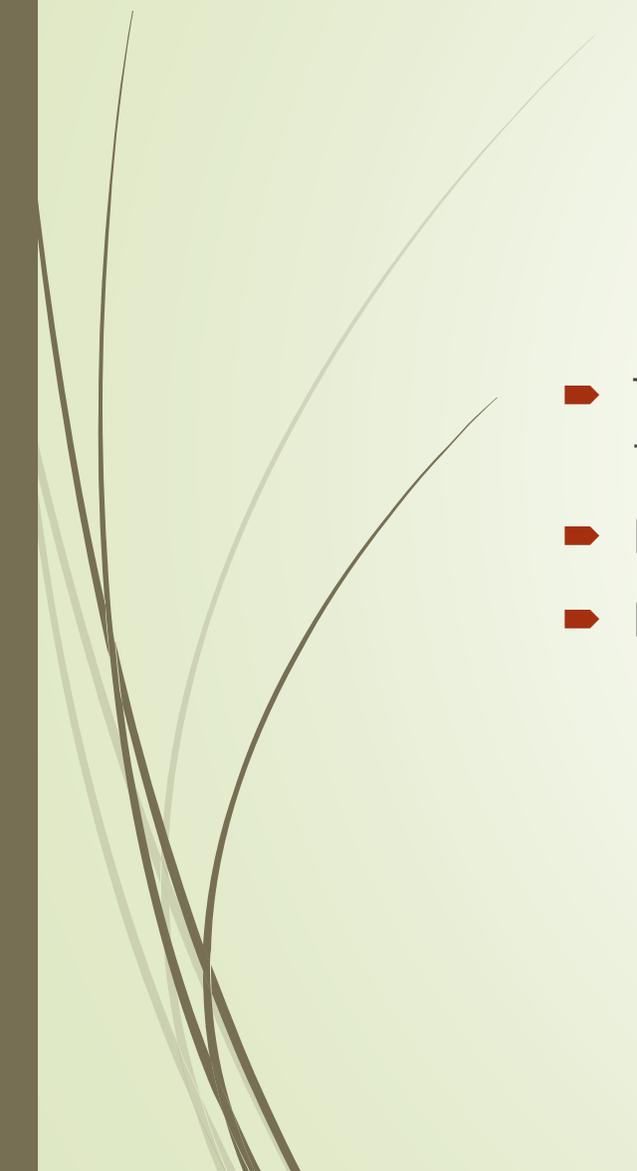


Requirement

- Conviction
 - Developing habits
 - Developing faith
 - Examining traditions and practices
 - Acknowledging present state
 - Creating a plan for future
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Biblical Support



- ▶ There is a promise to build the church through revitalization if you rely on the Holy Spirit.
- ▶ Renewal, restoration
- ▶ Building through restoration



Biblical Support, Cont.

- Rev 3:2
- Acts Chpt 2
- Acts 18
- Cor 4:17
- Cor 11:1
- Phill 3:17
- Isiah 43:7



Nehemiah

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- 6:3
- 5:14-18
- 4:6-10



A Systems Approach

- Organization and putting into action specific ways of doing things .
 - Decision making
 - Plan to action
 - Working with boundaries
 - Understanding the big pictures
 - Structured approach to outreach
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Considerations for Revitalization

- The development of the ministry plan
 - Is it workable
 - Is there a strategy and vision
 - Is our values reflective in the plan
 - Have we done any psychographic assessment
 - Have you examined the biblical perspective that supports *plans*.
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Culture

- ▶ The customary beliefs, social forms and material traits of a racial, religious or social group
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The Impact of Culture on Revitalization

- ▶ Culture impacts how a church connects with its community, its members
 - ▶ Its messaging
 - ▶ Spiritual growth
 - ▶ How new members are attracted and retained
 - ▶ How relevant the church is to its community
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