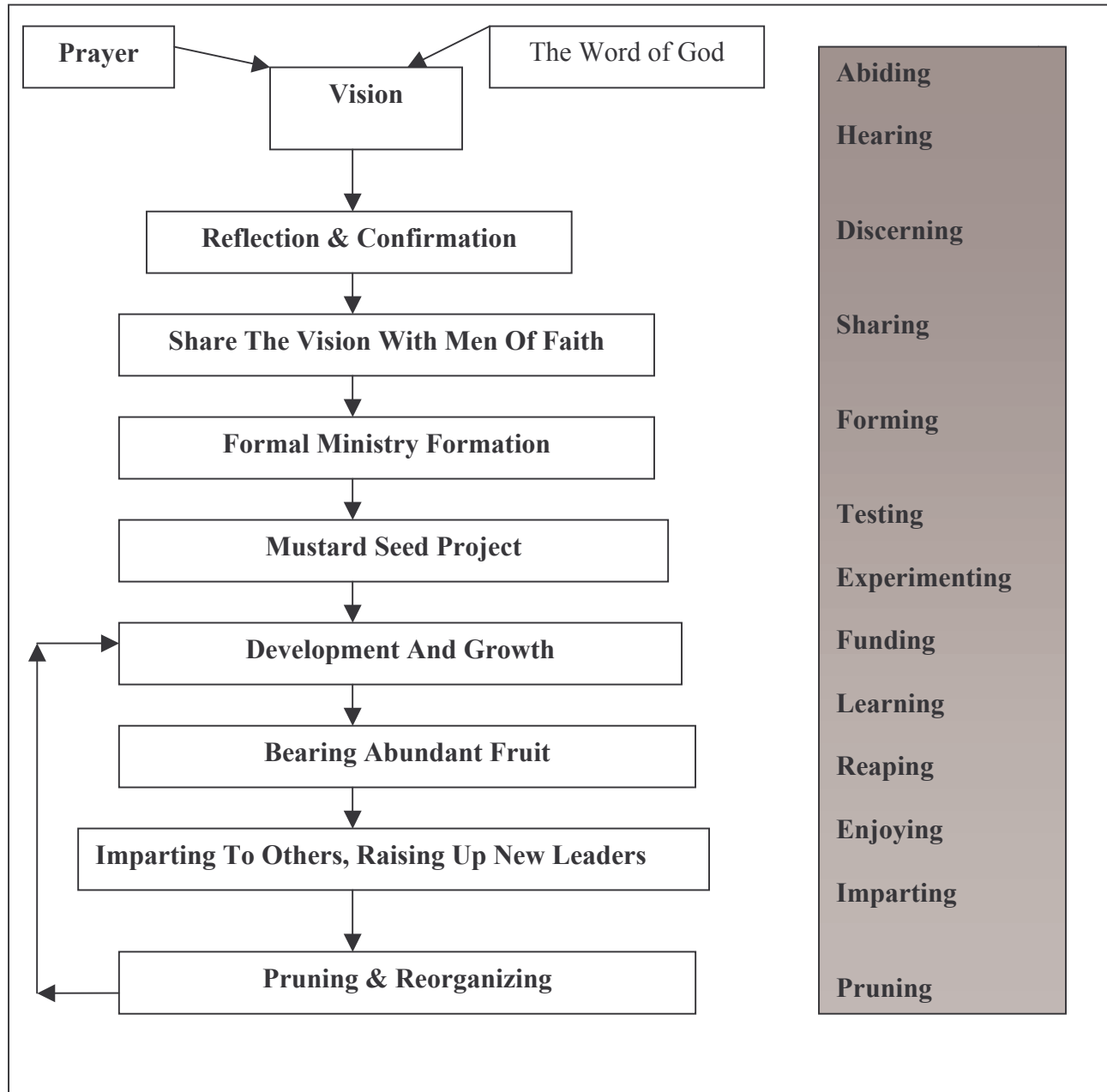


# Developing A Ministry Plan

**References** – Harvestime modules (on your AIBI CD)  
*Methodology of Multiplication*  
*Power Principles*  
*Biblical Management Principles*  
*Principles of Environmental Analysis*  
*Management By Objectives*



**John 15:5** – *I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without me you can do nothing.*

What is God doing right where you are?

What is God saying – in Scripture? To other people? To you?

What are God's methods? Is He revealing a better way of doing things?

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Who is God calling to be with you?

How can you tell that they are the right ones?

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What objectives is God placing before you? What is the picture that you see ?

Do you have a clear faith-vision of the fully implemented solution / desired end state?

What are the promises of God in Scripture that you can claim to see your desired end state come to pass?

Is the Holy Spirit witnessing to your spirit that these promises apply to the project?

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What Are The Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats ?

Why? Who? When? Where? What ? and How?

How much can you do with no money at all? (Such as the Exodus from Egypt!) Start by doing that much.

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Who has the knowledge / resources you need? How can you contact them? Ask in prayer for “divine appointments”!

How can you maintain and grow your resource base?

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Are you doing something, on a small scale, which is being blessed by God? How can it be done on an even larger scale? What equipment, manpower do you need to do this expansion? Can you start with a few volunteers and some second-hand equipment?

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How will you know what is happening? What are your feedback mechanisms?

How do your staff /volunteers / church know what is happening? How do you communicate?

How can you exercise gentle control? What is your structure and your means of exercising authority?

How can you handle mistakes, accidents, and crises? What are your preventative measures and contingency plans?

How are you learning and developing - yourself, your staff and your ministry?

Are you aware of both the quality and the quantity of the ministry? Do you know where to put your energy? Or where to prune at “pruning time”?

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## Expanding The Ministry

1. Who is God calling you to reach? What are they like? Where do they live?
2. Who will be blessed if they know about / participate in your ministry?
3. What are the top three ways that you can communicate with these people?

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4. How can you get them to recommend you to others? What would you have to do to make them excited about what they see in your ministry? How can you “deliver value?”
5. How can you record the names and contact details of people you meet in the ministry?
6. How can you regularly communicate with these folk you have met?
7. How can you demonstrate the power and presence of God to them - in real and tangible ways?
8. How can you put the word of God in their hands? Books, tracts, CD, flyers, tapes, VCD etc.
9. How can you multiply this? – duplicating facilities , radio, newspaper, TV, Internet.
10. How can you get them to teach each other in structures that have few barriers to growth?  
E.g.1:1 Discipleship, prayer triplets , 2 – to- 12 discipling, cell groups, house churches....

Inspiration, Incarnation,  
Communication, Connection,  
Demonstration, Proclamation,  
Transferability, Multiplication,  
Edification, Remove Barriers To Growth

## Being Solution-Focused

- Do not get bogged down in the problem – focus on the solution.
- Avoid the “paralysis” of analysis.
- Analyze just enough to see what needs to be done and to identify the solutions needed.
- Don’t fix the blame – fix the problem!
- Jesus never sat around analyzing problems – He always called the desired end state into being. Jesus is incredibly solution-focused.
- Envisage the perfect, whole, desired ending – and move towards that by faith.
- Don’t worry about poverty – find a means to generate wealth.
- Don’t worry about those who refuse to listen – preach to those who will listen.
- Don’t worry about disunity – find a way to build unity and harmony. Find common ground.
- Don’t over-analyze why people are sick – get them healed by prayer, medicine, etc.
- Don’t analyze the water of a flooding stream – find a bridge and walk across!
- God has solutions and reveals them to those that want them and will act on them by faith.
- Don’t keep endlessly asking God “Why” ( a few times is OK) Instead ask Him “How” ?