

# Catalysts for Growth: How Your Congregation Can Grow Spiritually (and Numerically)

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Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

### From Pope Francis' Homily at Daily Mass on February 14, 2014

You cannot think of a stationary Christian: a Christian that remains stationary is sick in their Christian identity. The Christian is a disciple to walk, to move.

### Spiritual growth is a thing.

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### Spiritual Growth in the Episcopal Church

#### **Exploring Christ**

"I believe in God, but I am not sure about Christ. My faith is not a significant part of my life."

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#### **Growing in Christ**

"I believe in Jesus and am working on what it means to get to know him."

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#### **Close to Christ**

"I feel really close to Christ and depend on him daily for guidance."

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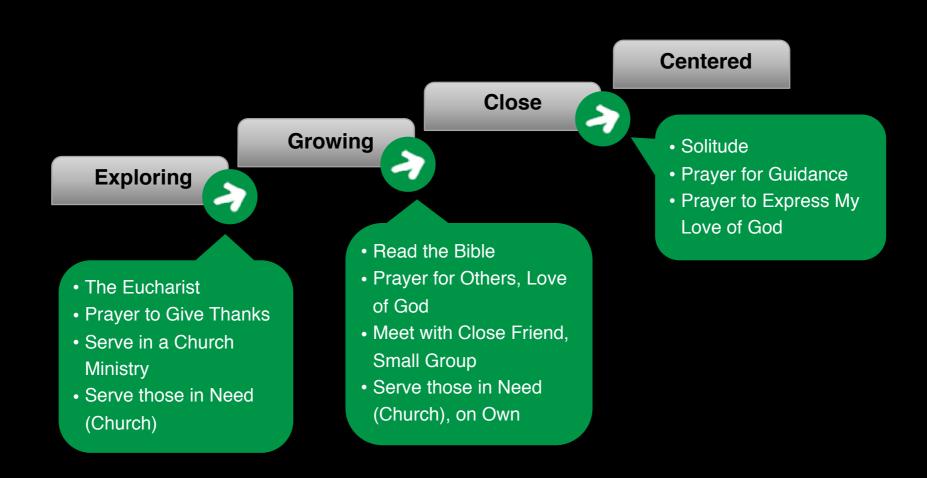
#### **Christ-Centered**

"My relationship with Jesus is the most important relationship in my life. It guides everything I do."

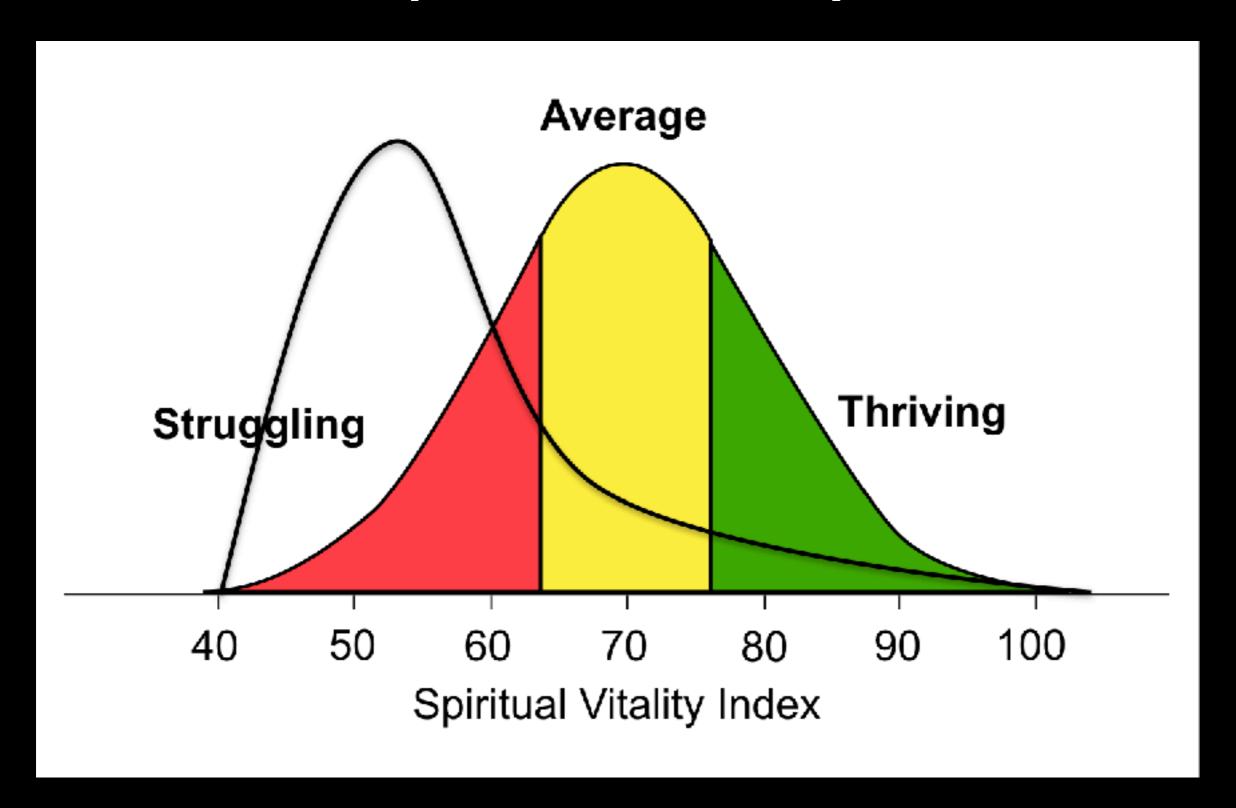
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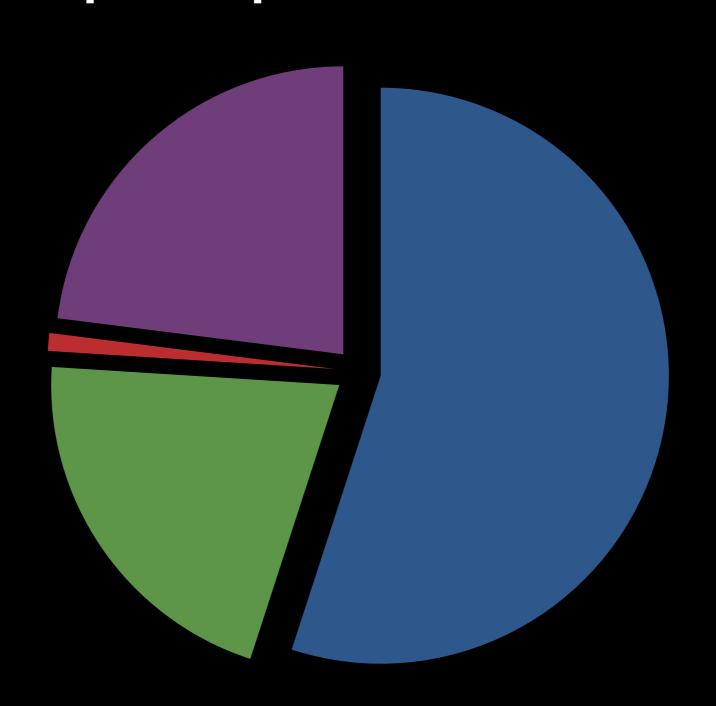
### Catalysts for Spiritual Growth



#### Spiritual Vitality



### Archetypes that Define Episcopal Churches



## Creating a Culture of Discipleship

Get people moving
Scripture engagement
Ownership
Pastor the community
Start with the leader

## What makes a difference?

- Engagement with scripture
- The transforming power of the Eucharist
- A deeper prayer life
- The heart of the leader

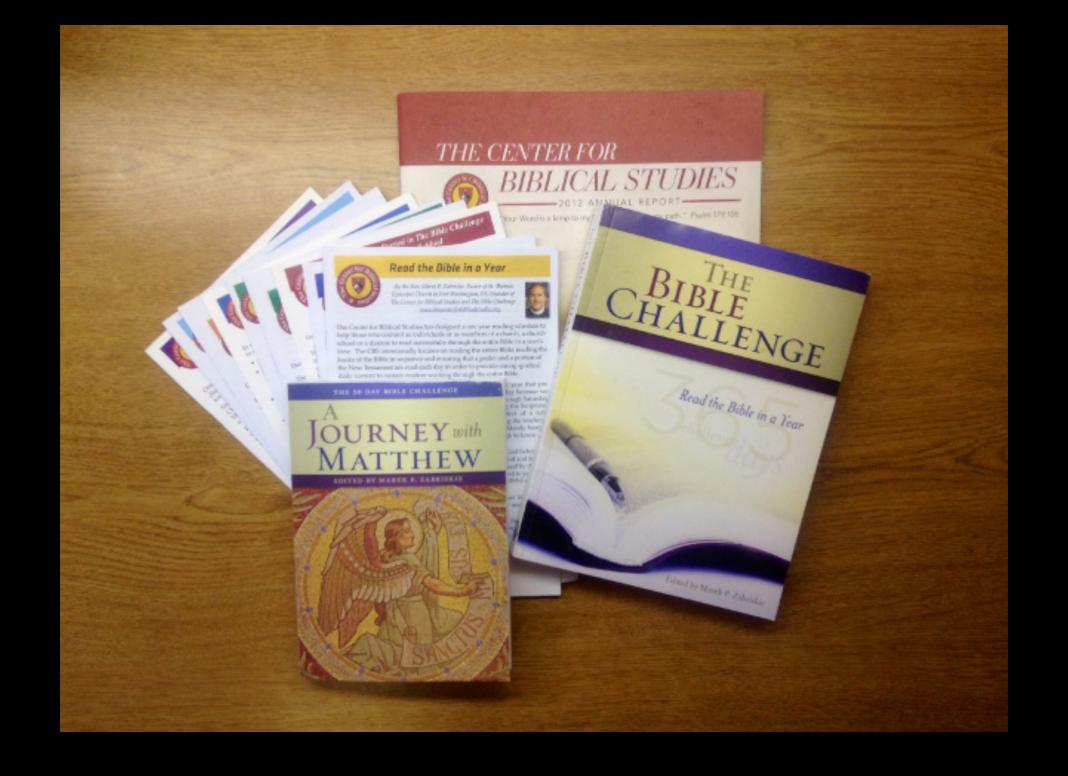
### Preach and teach ownership.

## Encourage regular church attendance.

### Teach people to pray.

## Invite people into the wonders of scripture.





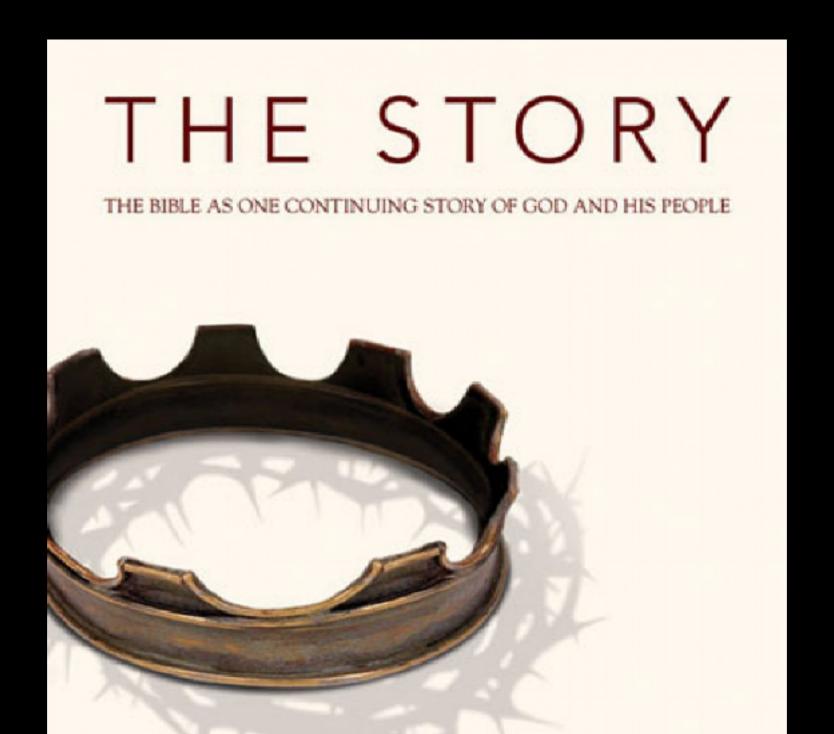
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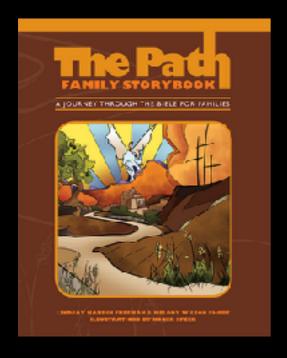


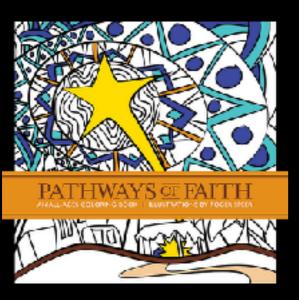


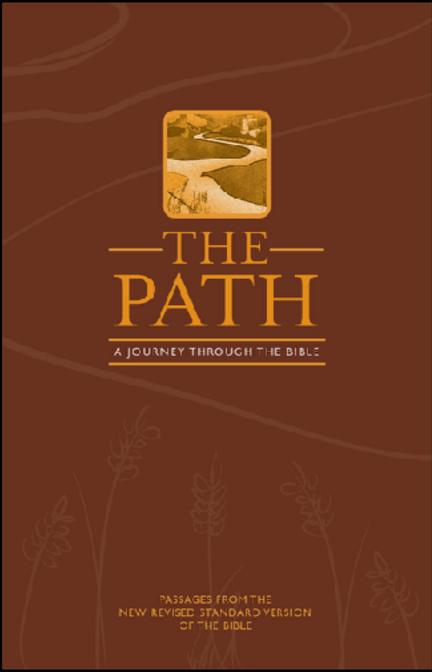
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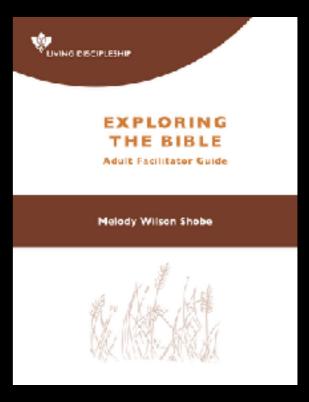


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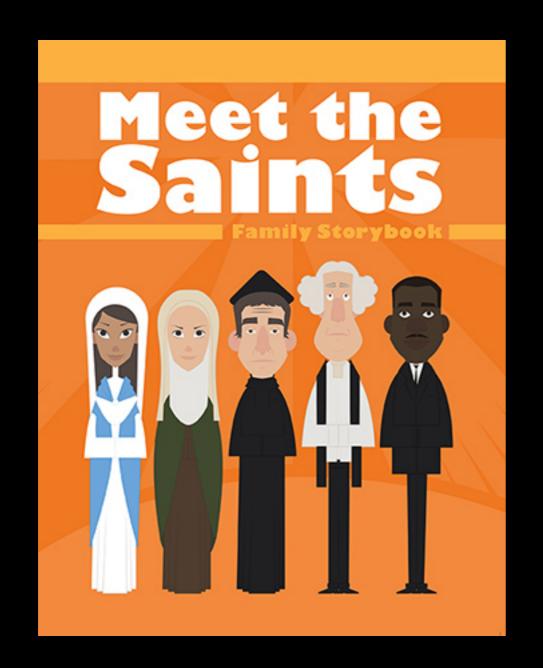


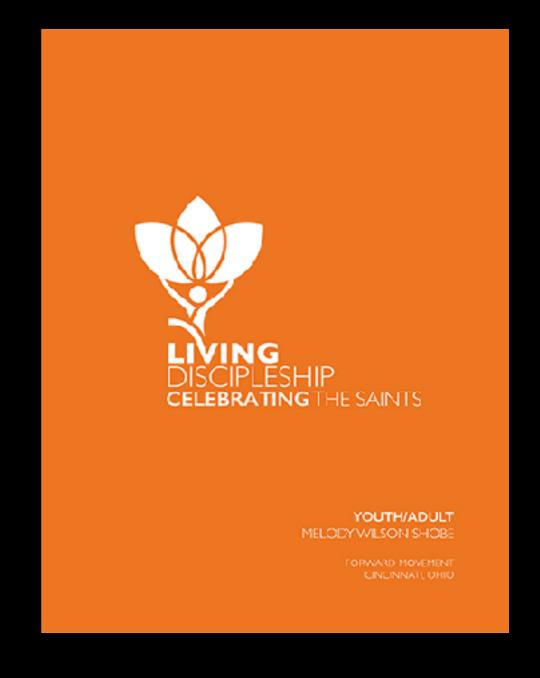




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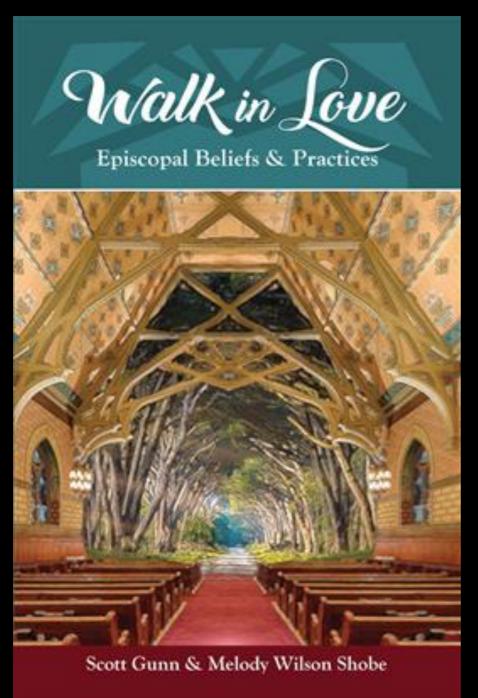
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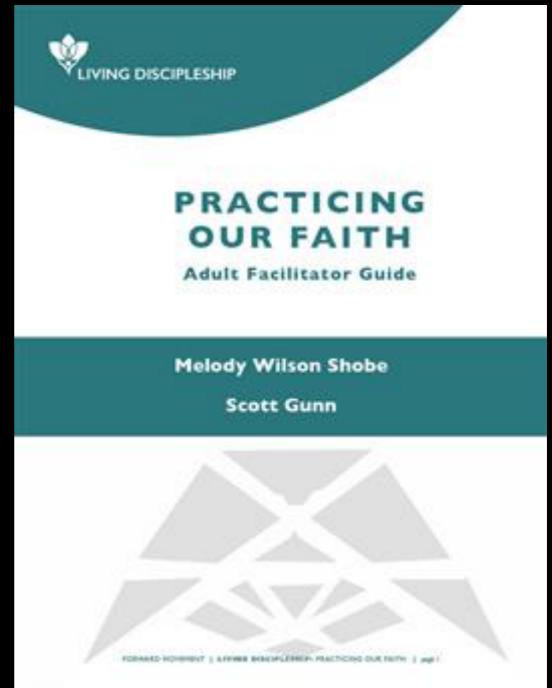




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### Empower evangelists

## Questions & Conversation?

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