

SOW MANY SEEDS



Skill

Sow Many Seeds is a personal commitment to approach every conversation each day as a divine appointment to share our testimony and the gospel.

Design

<u>Sow Many Seeds (farmer sowing)</u> > The picture illustrates the basic role of every believer to share the gospel with everyone they encounter. The **sketch** is also a farmer sowing illustrating many opportunities disciples have, but often do not act upon, to share the gospel freely and abundantly. Seeds, by nature, must be scattered.

Story

Antioch Church Ministry (Acts 11:19-30)

This story demonstrates Sow Many Seeds as a kingdom skill because we clearly see the Antioch believers boldly and abundantly sowing the gospel seed in their region resulting in many new believers. In verse 19, we see that these believers had already experienced persecution and suffering; yet, they remained faithful to being Jesus' ambassadors to new regions and cities.

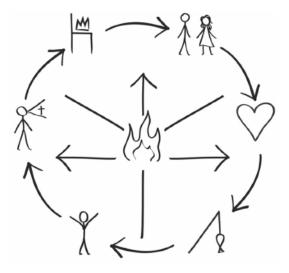
Scriptures

<u>Isaiah 55:10-11</u> > For just as rain and snow fall from heaven and do not return there without saturating the earth and making it germinate and sprout, and providing seed to sow and food to eat, so My word that comes from My mouth will not return to Me empty, but it will accomplish what I please and will prosper in what I send it out to do.

<u>2 Timothy 1:7</u> > For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but a spirit of power, love, and sound judgement.

Lesson Summary

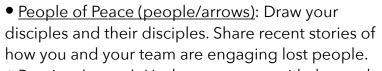
Sow Many Seeds requires discipline and faith. The sign of a mature disciple is someone who consistently speaks about their hope and faith in Jesus to others around them (1 Peter 3:15). Jesus described His followers as salt and light. His followers are filled with the Holy Spirit to shine brightly the glory of our God so that the world will see the King and come home (Matthew 5:13-16). When we speak to people about Jesus, we do not need to worry about saying something wrong, because God says His Spirit speaks through us (Matthew 10:19-20).



Gathering Guide

- Holy Spirit (fire): Let the Spirit guide your meeting.
- Step One (back arrow): Last week questions.
- Abide (worshipper): How did you abide last week?
- Harvest (witness): Whom did you share with?
- **Step Two** (up arrow): Discover this week's skill in Scripture as you discuss the Bible story.
- God (throne/crown): What do we learn about God?
- <u>People (man/woman)</u>: What do we learn about people?
- Practice: Practice telling this week's story in groups.
- **Step Three** (forward arrow): Next week questions.
- Abide (heart): How will you abide?
- Harvest (fishing): Whom will you share with?





- <u>Baptism (waves)</u>: Update your map with those who have been baptized. What is the next step for each disciple who still needs to be baptized or become a baptizer by experience?
- <u>Generations (number lines)</u>: Update your map with generations. How can we pray for this movement?

