



MOBILIZE TEAMS



Skill

Mobilize Teams is recruiting multiple missionaries with diverse gifts, strengths, and passions to become a tribe, serve each other, and go on mission together.

Design

Mobilize Teams (connected leaders) > A network of people with connected leaders of different colors illustrates how we cast vision to and recruit groups of disciples to become faithful and fruitful mission teams. The **sketch** is five circles connected around a cross illustrating the five leadership gifts in Ephesians 4 under a Lordship covenant with Jesus Christ and in community with each other.

Story

First Overseers Appointed (Acts 14:21-28)

This story demonstrates Mobilize Teams as a kingdom skill because we clearly see apostles visiting local churches throughout a region to appoint, anoint, and authorize indigenous leadership teams for community shepherding and church government. The apostles focused their training on preparing these teams for faithfulness and endurance through spiritual warfare and suffering. They also model visiting other churches to cast vision and share harvest field stories.

Scriptures

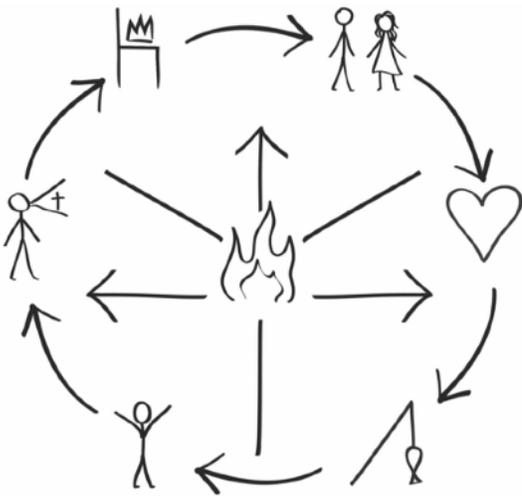
Proverbs 27:17 > Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 > Two are better than one because they have a good reward for their efforts. For if either falls, his companion can lift him up; but pity the one who falls without another to lift him up. Also, if two lie down together, they can keep warm; but how can one person alone keep warm? And if someone overpowers one person, two can resist him. A cord of three strands is not easily broken.

Lesson Summary

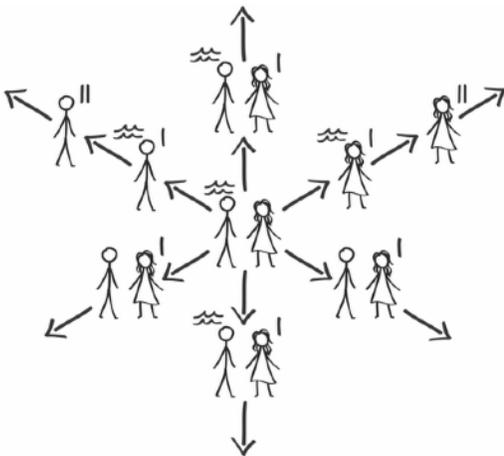
Mobilize Teams depends upon a realistic view of ministry as spiritual warfare and suffering. When God created the world, He declared that man should not be alone, and God provided a helper to be on his team (Genesis 2:15-25). We need others to be involved in our lives consistently, and we need trusted friends to journey with together so that we have reliable support and mutual protection (Proverbs 11:14). Men and women are designed by the Lord to be in community and accountability with one another as Christ's body: we are safer, stronger, and more strategic together (Hebrews 10:24-25).

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?
- People (man/woman): 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?

Generations Map



- People of Peace (people/arrows): Draw your disciples and their disciples. Share recent stories of how you and your team are engaging lost people.
- Baptism (waves): 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?
- Generations (number lines): Update your map with generations. How can we pray for this movement?