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Planting Seeds Intentionally – Discussion Guide

Section 1

Discuss what you applied in the past seven days from the last Overflow Show.

Read 1st Corinthians 3:5-9 Discuss the process of helping others come to belief and what the various stages might look like in today's world.

Section 2

Go to www.OverflowShow.com and listen to the 5-minute podcast titled Planting Seeds Intentionally.

Section 3

What did you think? What stood out to you as you listened?

What does Tim Downs see as a problem with many people's definition of evangelism today?

Does he dismiss presentations or outlines as not usable today?

What are the problems with a harvest-only mentality in ministry?

What is one method of sowing from Downs that you heard in the podcast?

What are the benefits of asking questions to others about their convictions and beliefs?

Who are some groups of people around you, or types of people around you, who you could ask about their outlooks and ideas?

Section 4

Discuss some ways we could apply a few of these principles in the next 7 days?

One suggestion (if needed): Choose several people in your life right now who are very different than you, who you could ask about their religion, outlooks, or ideas? Be intentional this week about having a conversation with them where you primarily ask questions and listen versus providing them information. Share next week how these encounters went, and how they might be laying a foundation for providing them critical information, the gospel, later.

Overflow enthusiastically recommends the book FINDING COMMON GROUND by Tim Downs, from Moody Publishers.

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