

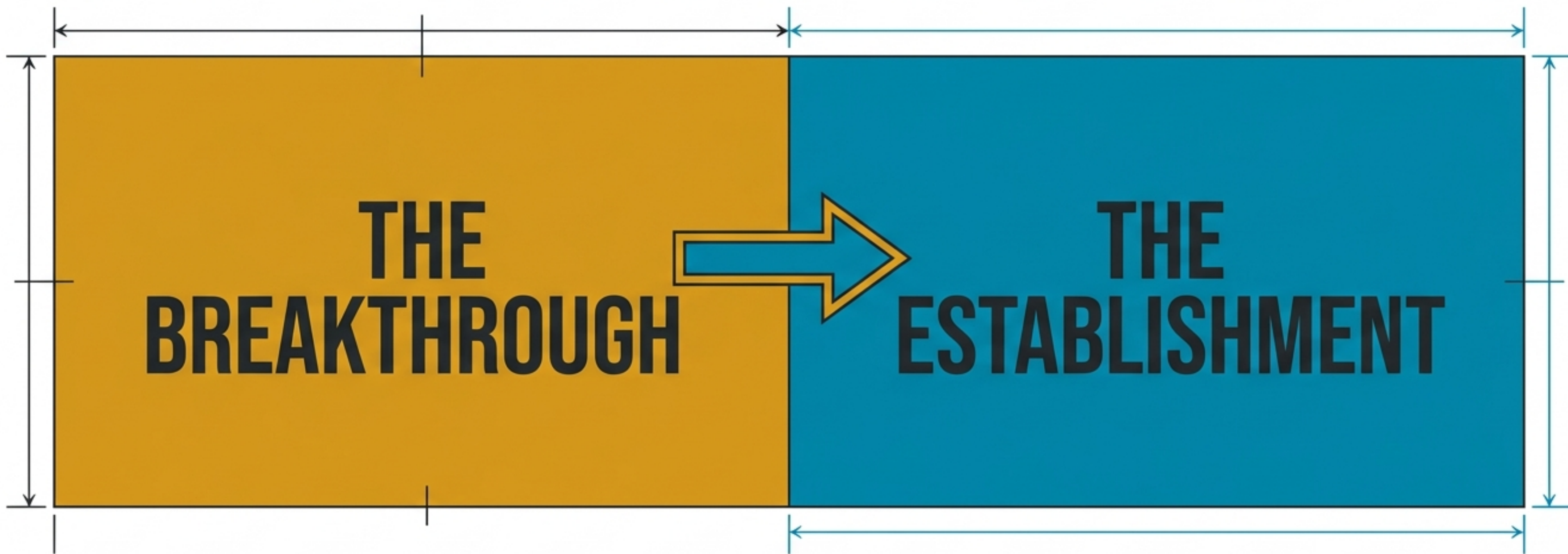
FIRE AND GO: Lesson 25

Establishing New Churches in the Faith

The Pastoral Epistles

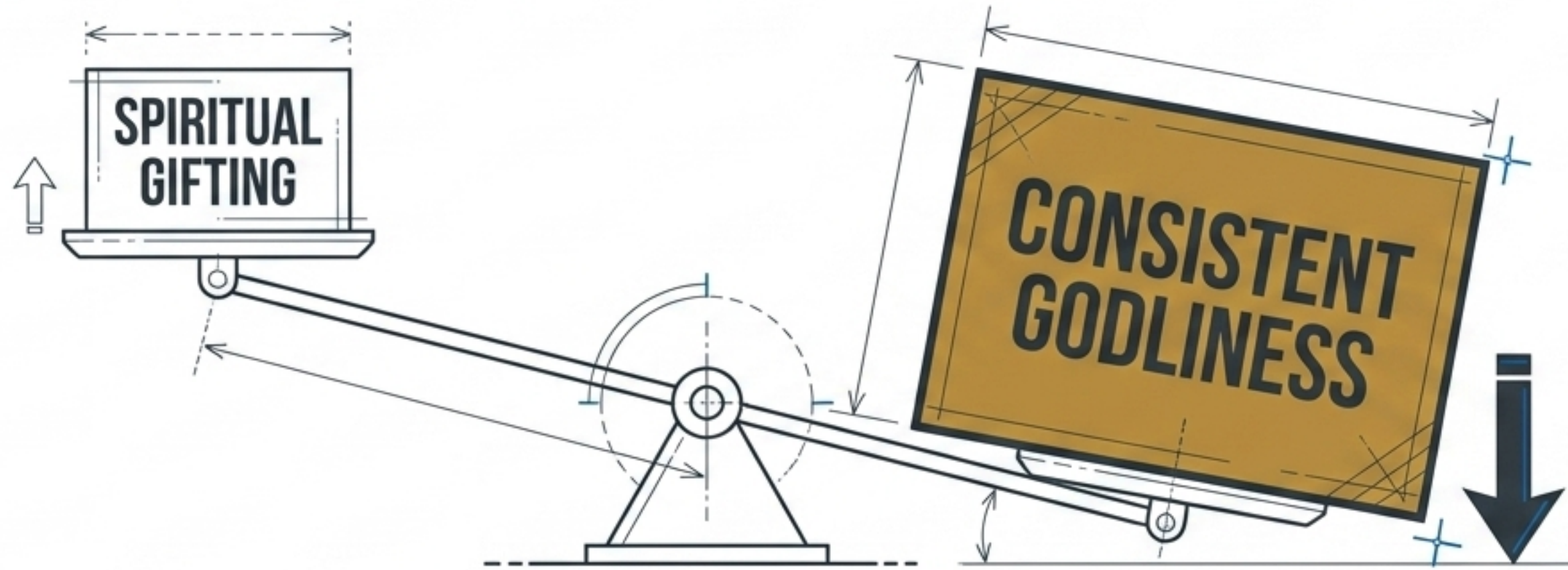


WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE HARVEST?



The pioneering phase is over. The Pastoral Epistles (1 & 2 Timothy, Titus) provide the blueprint for transforming an initial breakthrough into a healthy, self-sustaining church that outlasts the pioneering missionary.

THE FOUNDATION OF A LASTING CHURCH



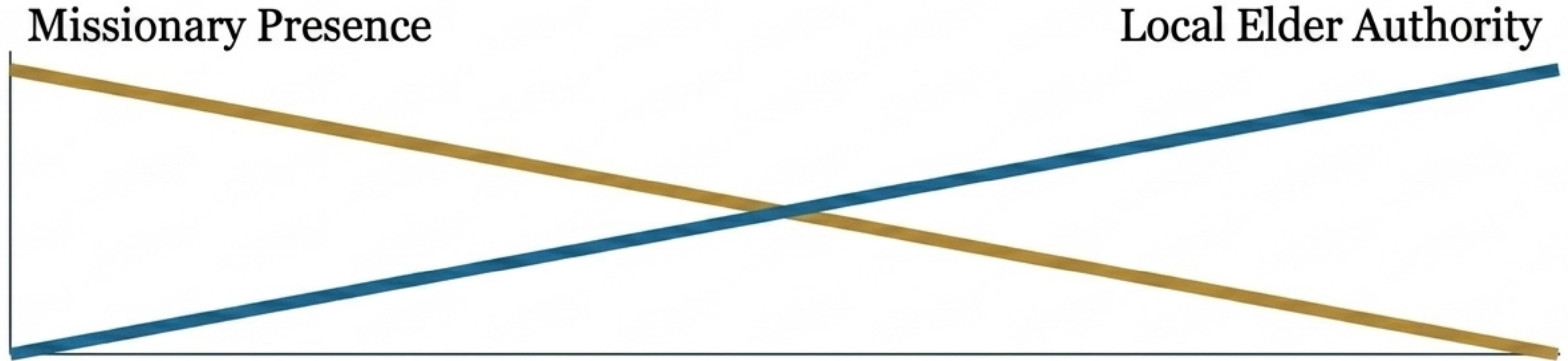
In 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1, Paul's qualifications focus overwhelmingly on mature, consistent character in ordinary life, not extraordinary spiritual achievements.



“Do not lay hands on anyone hastily.” (1 Timothy 5:22)

The temptation of rapid growth is to rush leadership appointments. Hastily appointed leaders lacking character cause damage that takes years to repair.

PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT, NOT PERMANENT PRESENCE



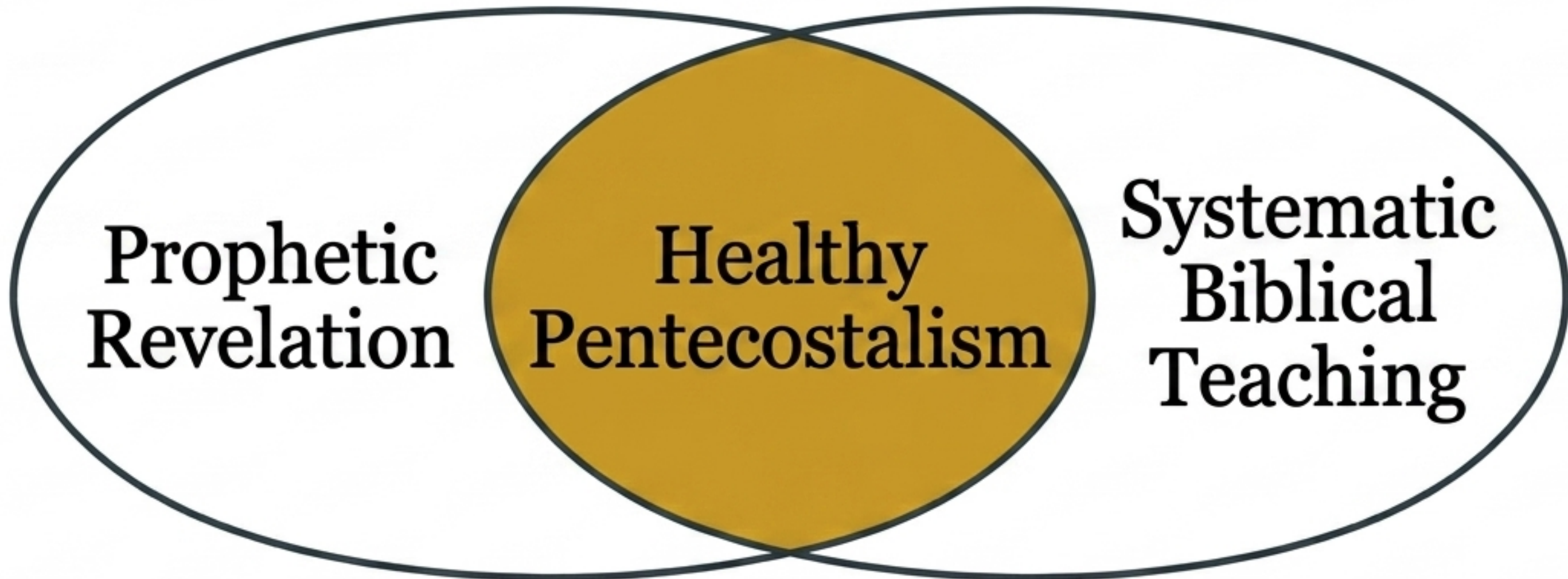
The goal is to leave behind a properly ordered, locally led church equipped to thrive without the missionary's ongoing presence (Titus 1:5).

Guarding the New Church



False teaching is the greatest threat to a newly planted church. The defense is an uncompromising anchor to the inspired, sufficient, and transforming Word of God (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

The Crucial Pentecostal Balance



A healthy church embraces the Holy Spirit's prophetic leading while fiercely testing every word and experience against the standard of written Scripture.

The Practical Life of the Church



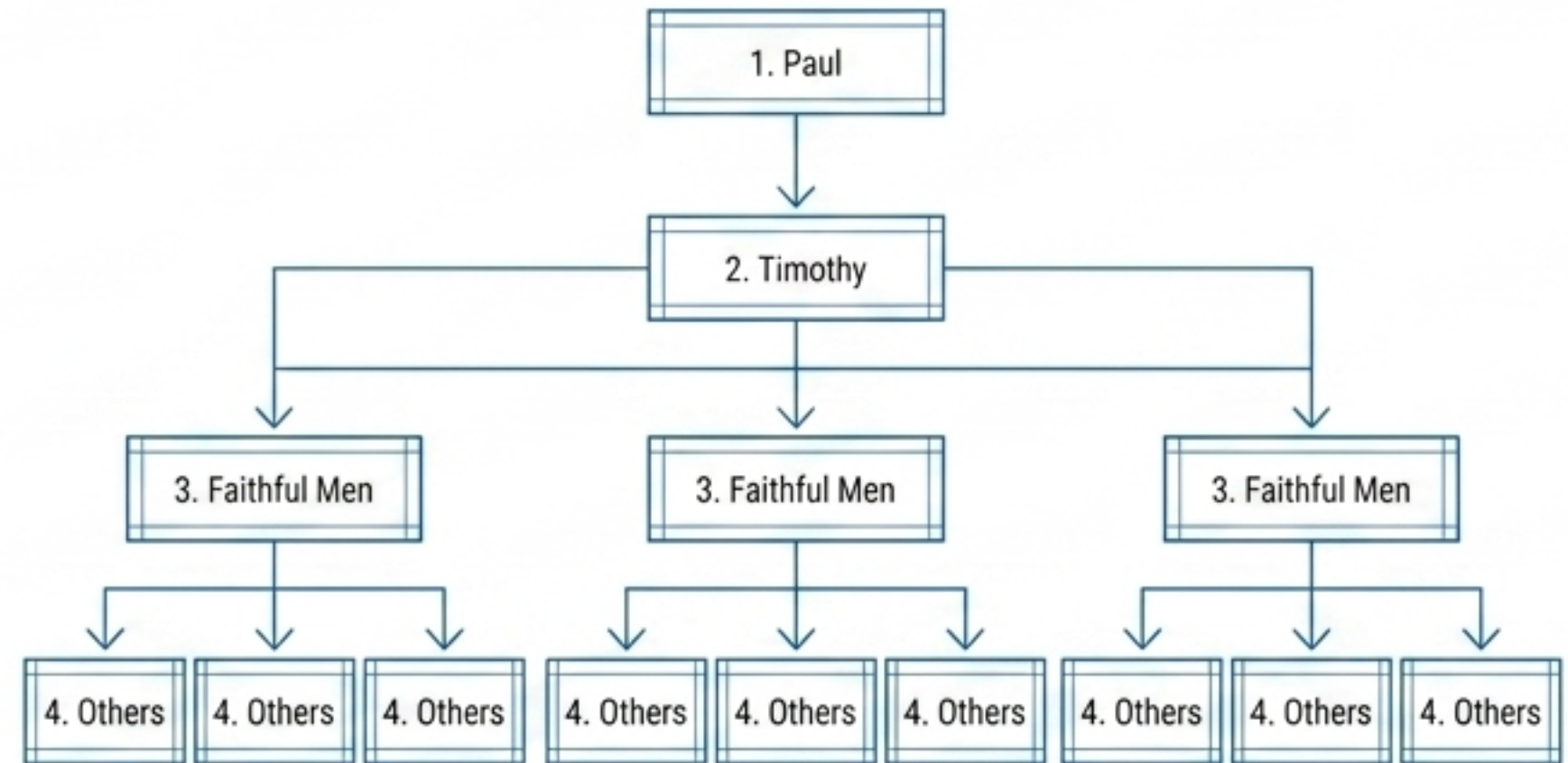
A church that proclaims the gospel but fails to live it in concrete community details loses its missional credibility.

The Mathematics of Multiplication

(2 Timothy 2:2)

A missionary's work isn't finished until the church they planted is equipped to plant other churches, train new leaders, and send out its own missionaries.

Multiplication Cascade



**“Preach the word! Be ready
in season and out of season...
do the work of an evangelist,
fulfill your ministry.”**

— 2 Timothy 4:2, 5

The Ultimate Missionary Force

**Apostolic
Order**



**Pentecostal
Fire**

When a church combines the fire of the Holy Spirit with the order of the apostolic pattern (sound doctrine, qualified leadership, and multiplication), it becomes unstoppable

Reflection Questions

- 1** Why does Paul emphasize character over gifting?
- 2** Are you currently investing in faithful people who can teach others?
- 3** How can we balance prophecy with the authority of written Scripture?

Prayer Focus

Thank God for your calling. Ask Him to confirm and empower your missionary vision. Pray by name for the next generation of missionaries you will invest in, just as Paul invested in Timothy.



Action Step

Write a one-page personal missionary action plan. Include your calling, target group, team building, and the first three steps you will take in the next 30 days. Share it with trusted trusted leaders for accountability.



**“Salvation belongs to our God
*who sits on the throne, and to the
Lamb!*” (Revelation 7:10)**

**Go. The fire is in you.
Take it to the nations.**