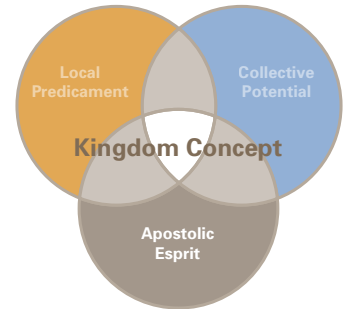


## Apostolic Esprit Questions For the Kingdom Concept

A church's apostolic esprit answers the question, *"What particular focus most energizes and animates our leadership?"* By apostolic, we mean that this source of liveliness and animation is anchored in a missional mind-set, or in other words self-understanding of "being sent." Esprit captures both the empowering and direction of the Holy Spirit and the human side of fervor and vitality that springs from team morale. Use these questions for you and for your leadership team to answer the primary question, what particular focus most energizes and animates our leadership? Once this is accomplished—and it may take a long time, even several months—you can begin to understand the overlap of the three circles that identify your Kingdom Concept.



- What one thing bothers you most about the world?
- If you knew you couldn't fail, what one thing would you pursue for God?
- What do you tend to pray for the most?
- What gives you energy?
- What have you secretly believed you would be really good at, if only you were given a chance?
- What do others say that you good at? ...that you are not good at? (have you asked lately?)
- What projects or accomplishments, though probably unnoticed by others created a deep sense of satisfaction on your life's journey? What projects or accomplishments from grade-school years, high school, college, and early career?
- What would you want people saying about you at your funeral? State three ideas that reflect "who you were." State three ideas that reflect "what you accomplished."
- Who are your heroes? Why do you admire them? Who have you wanted to emulate or spend time with but have not been able to?
- Review the list of "perspectives that contribute to your Apostolic Esprit." (page 94-95, Church Unique) Write down the best of your self-understanding for each bullet (or that of other leaders on your team).

