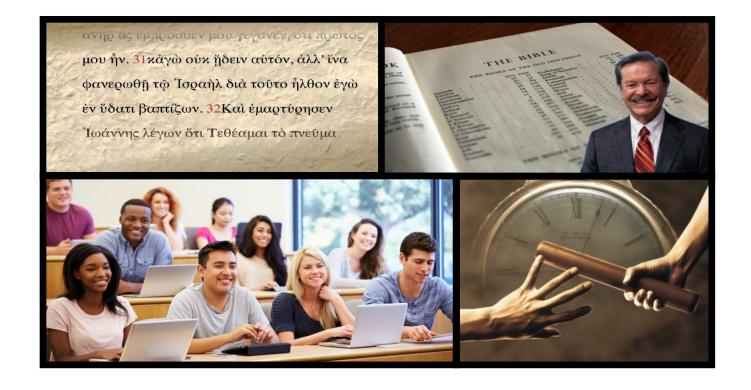
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# SYLLABUS AND STUDY GUIDE Dynamics of Church Growth AT209

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### AN INTRODUCTION TO THE NEW APOSTOLIC REFORMATION

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### **INTRODUCTION**

### Ephesians 4:16

from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

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### Ephesians 4:7

But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift.

### Ephesians 4:8

Therefore He says: "When He ascended on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts to men."

### Ephesians 4:11

And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,

### Ephesians 4:12

for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.

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### Matthew 16:18

"And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

Church growth through the ages:

Requirement?

### Matthew 9:14-17

14 Then the disciples of John came to Him, saying, "Why do we and the Pharisees fast often, but Your disciples do not fast?" 15 And Jesus said to them, "Can the friends of the bridegroom mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them? But the days will come when the bridegroom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast. "No one puts a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment; for the patch pulls away from the garment, and the tear is made worse. "Nor do they put new wine into old wineskins, or else the wineskins break, the wine is spilled, and the wineskins are ruined. But they put new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved."

What are the new wineskins for the 21st century?

Four questions for church growth methodology:

1. Why does	?
2. Churches are not equal. Why are	
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3. Can any	
4. Do unusually blessed churches	
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Three amazing movements:
1. African Independent Churches.
2. Chinese House Churches.
3. Latin American Grassroots Churches.
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### 2. NEW AUTHORITY STRUCTURE

Traditional Christianity:
The major difference:
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Bureaucratic authority to
• Legal structure to
• Control to
• Rational leadership to
A. Local church level.
Pastor is, not
B. Translocal level.

### 3. NEW LEADERSHIP TRAINING

The	is the primary incubator for leaders.
	Congregations, not academic institutions, once again are becoming the primary place for training program staff members for large congregations. This is consistent and compatible, but farther advanced than a parallel trend that is for large churches to replace theological seminaries as the primary source for clergy.
	Lyle E. Schaller, <i>The Senior Minister</i> (Nashville, TN: Abingdon Press, 1988), p. 84.
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	2. Chemistry with
	3. Commitment to of
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C. Prayer in the	
	Ephesians 3:10  to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places