REVITALIZE

Life Cycle of Churches



Incline

Future-oriented Vision-driven Community Focus Innovative High-risk Faith Faith Decision \$ = Investor Serve by Gifts New Leadership Conversion Growth

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Present-oriented Program-driven Congregation Focus Routine Low-risk Faith Resource Decision \$ = Provider Serve by Slot Stagnant Leadership Transfer Growth



Decline

Past-oriented Structure-driven Core Focus Complacent No-risk Faith Indecision \$ = Preserver Serve by Default Incumbent Leadership No Growth

How Would You Describe Your Church? (Choose one answer per set)

Discuss these questions with the leadership in your church to assess your current situation.

- A. Future-oriented
- B. Present-oriented
- C. Past-oriented
- A. Vision-driven
- B. Program-driven
- C. Structure-driven
- A. Focused on Your Comzmunity
- B. Focused on Your Congregation
- C. Focused on Core Group
- A. Innovative
- B. Routine
- C. Complacent
- A. Demonstrates High-risk Faith
- B. Demonstrates Low-risk Faith
- C. Demonstrates No-risk Faith

- A. Decisions Based on Faith
- B. Decisions Based on Available Resources
- C. Indecision
- A. Invests Finances for Mission
- B. Provides Finances for Ministry
- C. Preserves Finances for Maintenance
- A. Members Serve Based on Spiritual Gifts
- B. Members Serve Based on Programs of Church
- C. Members Serve Because No One Else Will Do It
- A. New Leadership
- B. Stagnant Leadership
- C. Entrenched Leadership

- A. Conversion Growth
- B. Transfer Growth
- C. No Growth



Now, compare your answers with the chart above Be prepared to share why you gave these answers.