


REVEAL: Where are You A Summary

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Reveal presents a better way of understanding the local church congregation by asking the question of members, “Where are you?” instead of “How many of you are there?”

The Church Activity Model for Spiritual Growth	
The Million Dollar Question: “Prove You Can Impact Lives!”	
Q: Does involvement in ‘spiritual church events’ help spiritual growth?	
Q: How can you measure heart change?	
Q: Does our Head–Heart–Hands metaphor help?	

Spiritual Growth Discoveries	
Def: Increasing love for God & people	
#1. Involvement in church activities does not predict or drive long-term spiritual growth.	
#2. Spiritual growth is all about increasing relational closeness to Christ.	
#3. The church is most important in the early stages of spiritual growth. Its role then shifts from being the primary influence to a secondary influence.	

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Spiritual Growth Discoveries

#4. Personal spiritual practices are the building blocks for a Christ-centered life.

#5. A church's most active evangelists, volunteers and donors come from the most spiritually advanced segments.

#6. More than 25% of those surveyed described themselves as spiritually "stalled" or "dissatisfied" with the role of the church in their spiritual growth.



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Stalled Out Spiritually	Dissatisfied w/ Church
16% of the average congregation	10% of the average congregation
REASONS:	LOWEST SCORES:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Addictions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “The church keeps me on track as I try to live the Christian life.” (7% vs. 47%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inappropriate Relationships 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “The church helps me find a spiritual mentor.” (4% vs. 25%)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emotional Issues 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not Prioritizing one’s Spiritual Life 	

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NEXT STEPS:	
Implications for Willowcreek:	Implications for our church:
1. Our message to the Congregation has to change.	
2. We need to coach NextSteps.	
3. We need to extend the impact of our weekend services	