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TITLE: **Conversations: Missional Community Growth**

From the outside looking in, missional communities can look very attractive and appear to be a straight line of growth toward multiplication. It is not always so.

Here are three key things to believe and consider about how missional communities grow:

1. **If you're leading a missional community, who do you need to have this conversation with?** Go for it! Or send them a link to this episode, and then after they've listened, get together and discuss all of this. If you and others in your community are feeling frustrated with certain aspects of life on mission, this will be encouraging to them. And if you're married, be sure to listen to this and have a conversation around this topic with your spouse.
2. **Your desire to make disciples and build gospel-centered communities on mission is part of God's eternal purpose—the purpose of the Gospel.** You're not running a social club or another program of the church, you've engaged in the most meaningful and important journey of your life! As you increasingly live out of your God-given identity, ask the Holy Spirit to give you more wisdom, grace and the intentionality you need to continue on in this great work.
3. **Healthy things always grow, but growth can seem messy. Or slow.** Often, our hopes of success or growth can be tied to our own need to look good, attract lots of people, or some other need for validation. God already knows all of your people of peace and who he is drawing to himself through your ministry. And he knows the future he has for you. You can trust him to perfectly guide you each step of the way if you keep asking, *"What next, Lord?"* and then do what he says. The pressure is off, enjoy the ride!

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Thanks for listening... we'll see you in the next episode!

~Caesar