Introduction:
A. I often begin the new year with a sermon about our ________.
B. What does it mean to be a __________ church?
C. We are going to investigate myths people have about _______ and __________ churches.

I. The only thing growing churches care about is ________.
   A. Healthy and lasting church growth is ________________.
   B. Five elements of spiritual work that lead to church health...
      ...Grow __________ through fellowship.
      ...Grow __________ through discipleship.
      ...Grow __________ through worship.
      ...Grow __________ through ministry.
      ...Grow __________ through evangelism.
   C. Our message and our mission must be _______ and _______.

II. To grow you must choose between ________ and __________.
   A. Quantity refers to the number of _____________ a church is developing, and quality refers to the ________ of Christians.
   B. Every church should want to grow in ________.

III. To grow you must compromise the ________ and the ________.
   A. We must not confuse what is ________ of attenders and members.
   B. A challenge we face is being ________ without compromising.
   C. We must be faithful to the unchanging _______ in an ever-changing ________.

IV. If you are __________ enough, your church will grow.
   A. Growing a church takes ________. (Eccl. 10:10)
   B. To grow a church we must ________ on _______. (1 Cor. 3:10)

Conclusion: Review...
A. If the church is __________, then it will __________.
B. We will grow not by sheer determination and dedication, but through ________ skill and empowerment.
C. Let us become a church that turns...seekers into ________...the hurting into ________...consumers into __________...members into __________...an audience into an ________.