**6 Core Values of an Equipping Church or Awana Club**

**Prayer** – “The equipping church/club recognizes the inherent value of prayer to discern God's vision, leadership, and plan toward an equipping ministry model.”

Adopting an equipping model requires creating a culture of prayer. It needs prayer support from the pastors/commanders, the lay leaders, and each person involved in service. Consider some ways to create a stronger prayer culture throughout your congregation/club.

**Priesthood of all believers** – “Every member in the body of Christ is gifted and called into ministry.”

This statement is the heartbeat of the equipping church/club. Consider ways to communicate this message loud and strong throughout your church/club.

**Servant leadership** - “Leaders demonstrate humility, authenticity, accountability, and genuine care of people…”

Don't be afraid to get real with your people. They need to see your willingness to get your hands dirty and shoulder the load with them. Consider how you can connect with your people in more meaningful ways.

**Team ministry** - “Healthy community is built around the willingness of people to work for the good of the greater body.”

Isolation can breed strife, competition, and even apathy. Consider ways to build your team to foster healthy interdependence.

**Intentionality** - “The church/club embraces and models equipping through implementation of necessary systems.”

Equipping doesn't just “happen.” It requires a plan and processes to carry out those systems. Consider ways your church/club can intentionally develop people and foster their gifts.

**Proactive toward change** - “The church/club recognizes the organic nature of change and responds creatively and proactively.”

In other words, they realize a God-change is a good-change. Consider ways you can encourage your people to see change as an opportunity for growth.