

Part 1: Exploring the Ds

Break into smaller groups or pairs, with each group focusing on a different D. Spend 2–5 minutes brainstorming ways the D could be made a reality. This might include programmes or events to introduce or strengthen, initiatives to get involved with, changes to make, or new ways to engage with your

community. Use the following questions to help guide your thinking. After the time is up, swap sheets with another group and repeat the process until everyone has contributed to each D. If time is limited, focus on the one or two Ds that feel most important to your church right now.

1. **Difference:** What things do we need to recognise or learn about our community. What are we doing that is going well and what do we need to do differently?
2. **Desire:** How can we keep developing and growing a desire for mission within the life of the church?
3. **Distinctive:** In what ways should we be distinctive as a church — what do we want to be known for? How can we demonstrate this?
4. **Dwell:** What opportunities are there already what could we start doing to dwell in our community?
5. **Dialogue:** How could we create space for more meaningful conversations? How could we start a dialogue or deepen the dialogue with the people in our community?
6. **Delivery:** What events, activities, programmes or opportunities could we provide, (or are we already doing) that we could invite people to?
7. **Decision:** What do we need to do in the life of the church to help people take small steps and explore making a decision to follow Jesus?
8. **Disciple:** What do we need to do to enable spiritual growth and discipleship.

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DECISION

What do we need to do in the life of the church to help people take small steps and explore making a decision to follow Jesus?

DISCIPLE

What do we need to do to enable spiritual growth and discipleship.

Part 2: Discerning next steps as a church

As a group, decide on one to three actions your church should take for each D going forward. You can include things you already do. Record these on the *Next Steps – Church* sheet and, if you haven't already, consider sharing them with leaders and other church members.

	Next Steps — Church
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Part 3: Personal reflection and action

Over the coming days, use the *Next Steps – Individual* sheet in the Pen section to reflect on one to three things you could do personally for each D, helping to embed these ideas in your own life.

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