



PLANTING PITFALLS



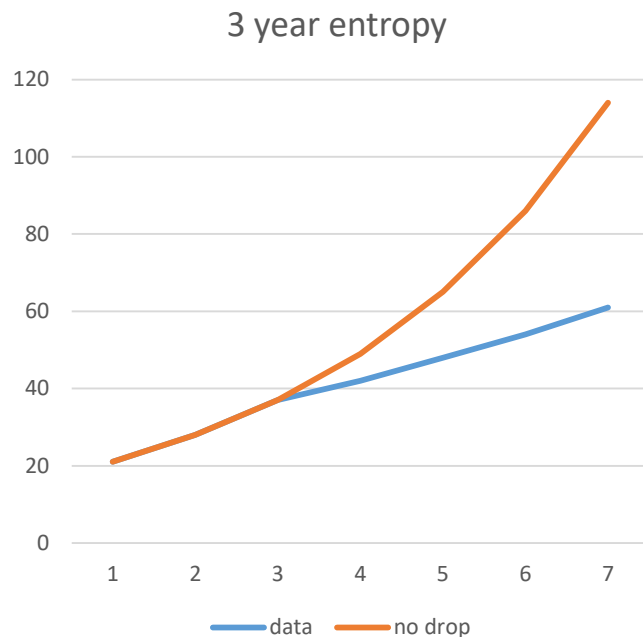
Momentum stealers to avoid

4. Personal evangelism
sabbatical: making sure
the lost still matter to us



Years 0-3 – 1 new disciple per 3 church members per year

Years 3-10 – 1 new disciple per 7 church members per year



Tom Nebel & Gary Rohrmayer, Church Planting Landmines Paperback, 2005

- What bridges are we building?
- What bridges are we crossing?

Why might a planter abdicate?

- Suffering, rejection
- Pastoral task
- Planting complexity
- New believers, high demand
- Energy levels, burn out
- High expectation → discouragement
- Attractional model
- Specialisation, delegation
- Spiritual resistance

Neither I nor my brothers nor my men nor the guards with me took off our clothes; each had his weapon, even when he went for water.
(Neh. 4:23)



How will we keep our fire?

- Fresh gospel light
- Prayer walking
- Missionary mindset
- Spend time with non-Christians
- Identify and look in the face of the fear
- Fear for the lost
- Fear of the Lord, full authority, command-obedience
- Read apologetics
- Network (others)
- Pairing up
- Partnering with other churches
- Prepared set pieces
- Sharing mixed results

How are you doing?
What do you do?
Blasphemy
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