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From the Greek *apostolos* meaning "one who is sent out." Apostles are visionary and pioneering, always pushing into new territory. They like to establish new churches or ministries. They come up with new, innovative means to do kingdom work

One who hears and listens to God (*prophetes*); the prophet foretells and tells forth revelation from God. Often they are able to stand back from circumstances to get a clear picture of what is happening and therefore see creative solutions and develop a vision for situations others don't see. They understand the times and what people should do.

One who shepherds God's people (*poimen*), who cares for others with a tender heart. One who sees needs, provides comfort, and encourages others. Pastors spend most of their time with other Christians. They can easily empathize with others and exhibit lots of patience with those in need.

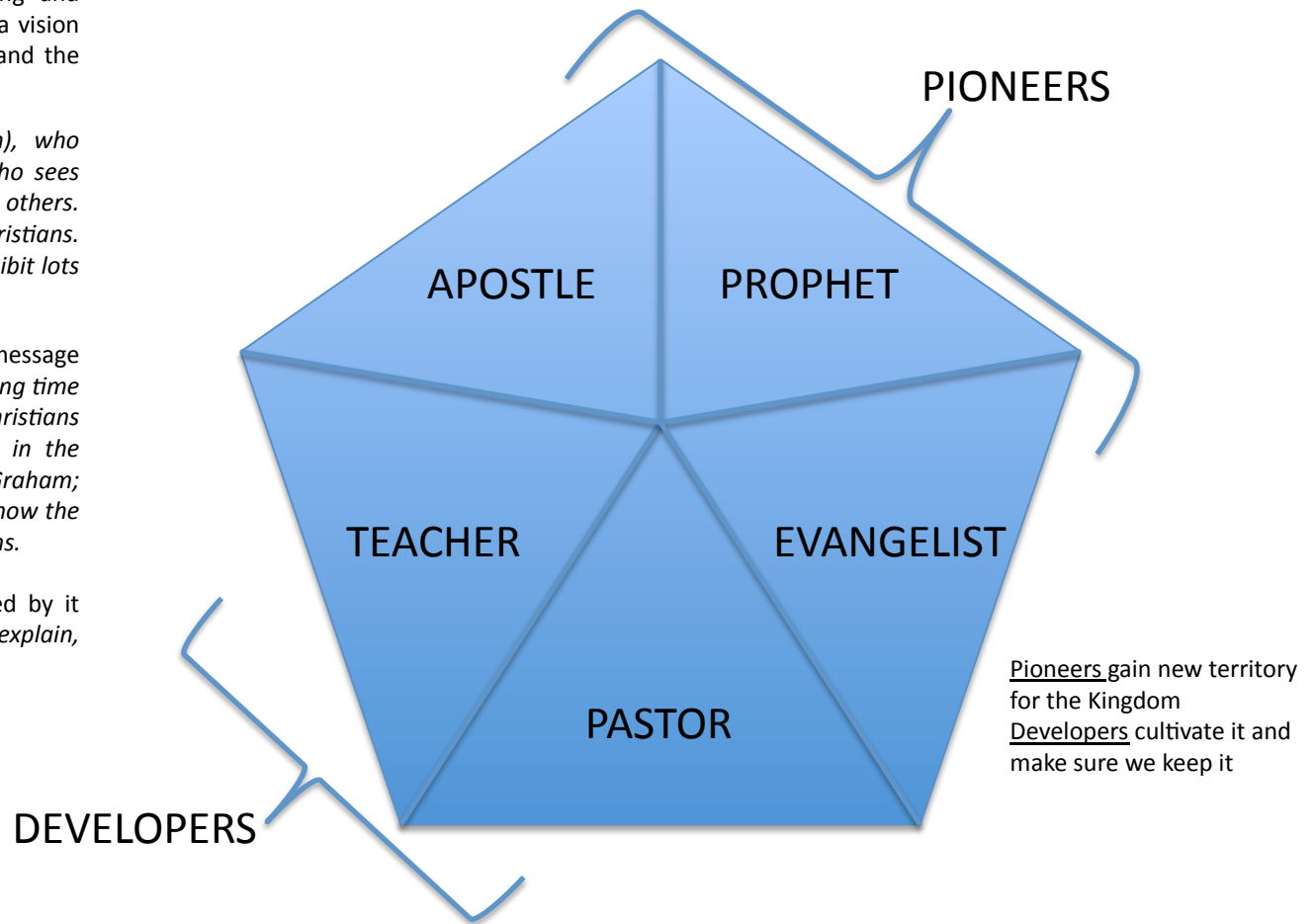
One who brings good news and shares the message readily (*euaggelistes*). Evangelists love spending time with non-Christians and often remind other Christians that there are non-Christians still out there in the world. They are not necessarily all like Billy Graham; they may be "people gatherers." Evangelists know the Word and can make it relevant to non-Christians.

One who holds forth the truth and is excited by it (*didaskalos*). The teacher looks for ways to explain, enlighten, and apply truth.

Where are you???

"Base" Gifts are those foundational gifts that seem natural to us
"Phase" Gifts are those we use when called within a specific situation
-To grow, we need to explore other gifts
-But, we don't have to be great at all of them!

Ephesians 4: 7, 11-13
"But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift....And His gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ."
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Pioneers gain new territory for the Kingdom
Developers cultivate it and make sure we keep it