

**NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT — LCMS**  
**REVITALIZATION**

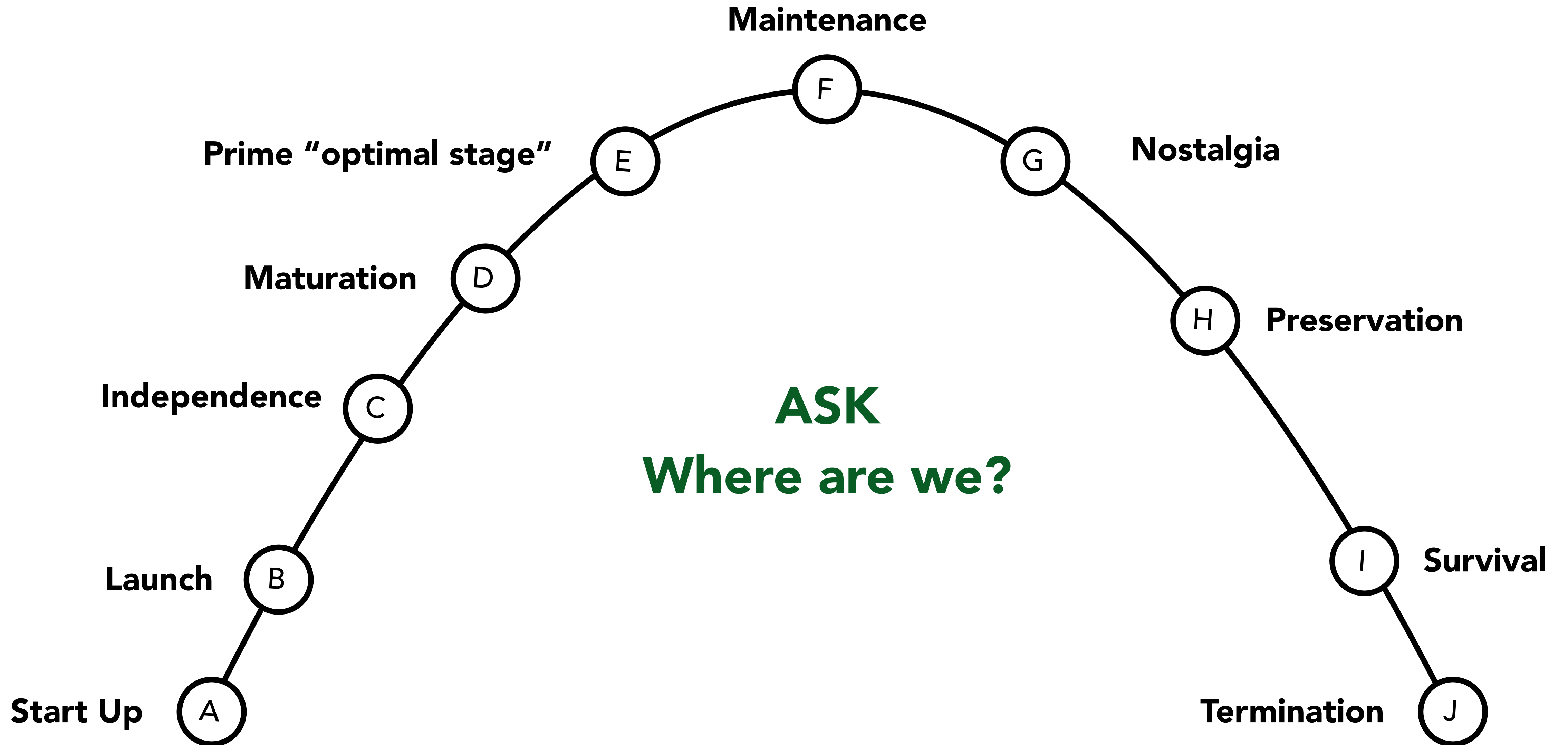


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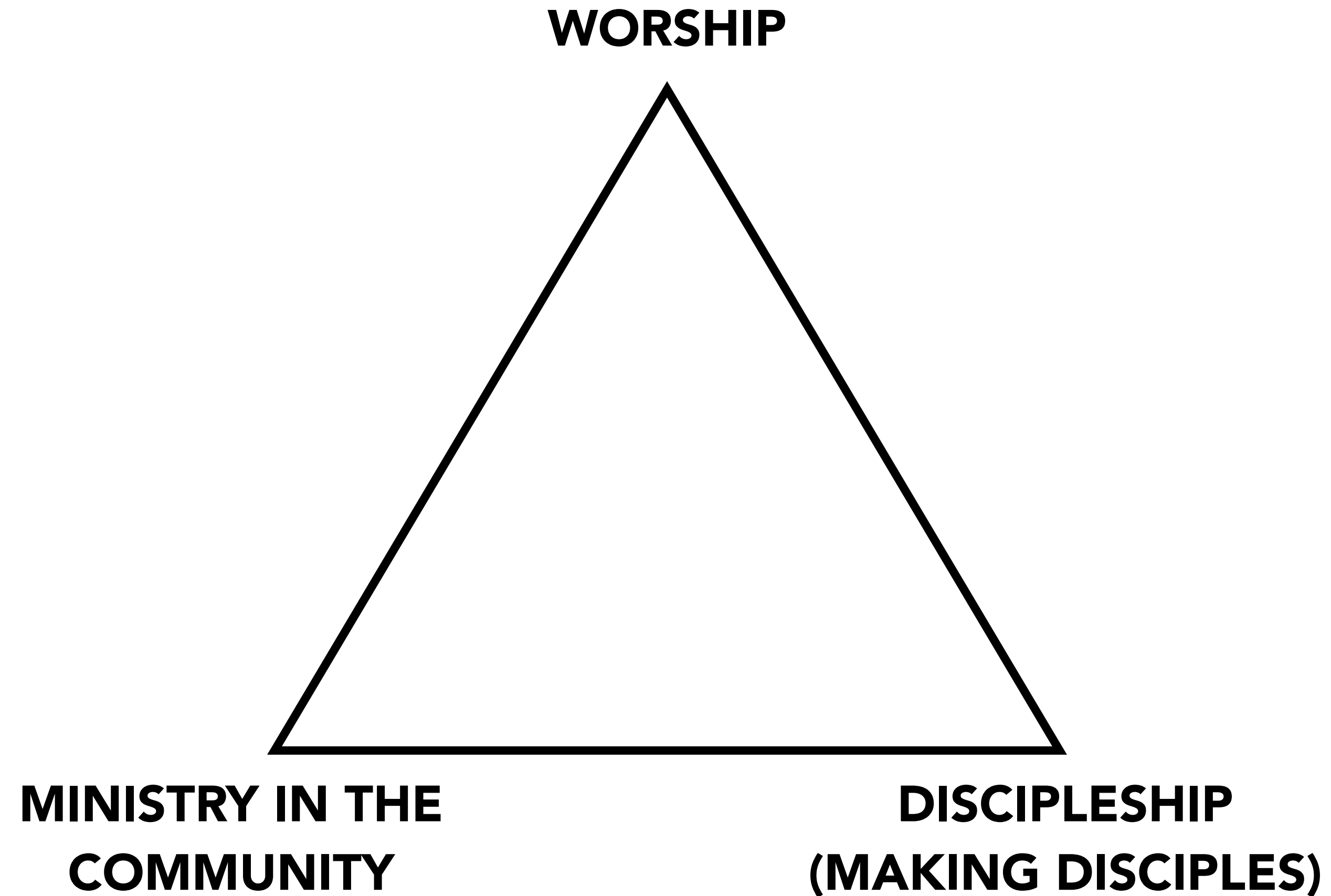
**Many congregations have reached plateau or are in decline. The New England District — LCMS is here to help. This revitalization starter kit includes the following:**

- Quick and simple self-assessment tools for NED congregations.**
- Simple process to get started and receive help from the District.**
- Effective, low-cost approach that provides the most needed resources first.**

# ASSESS YOUR CHURCH — REVITALIZATION ARC



# WORSHIP — DISCIPLESHIP — MINISTRY



**Score each corner from 1-10 (ten highest)**

# SWOT ANALYSIS OF THE CHURCH

## OPPORTUNITIES

Weaknesses: Aspects of the ministry that could contribute to the mission but need to be improved.

Opportunities: New ideas or areas of ministry that will contribute to mission and health of the congregation.

## WEAKNESSES

## STRENGTHS

Threats: Aspects of the ministry that are causing unhealthiness and must be stopped immediately.

Strengths: Aspects of the ministry that move the mission forward and are healthy, but sometimes experience some sort of setback.

## THREATS

# COLLECT FEEDBACK FROM THE CHURCH

- **What is the mission of the church?**
- **What is working well?**
- **What is not working well?**
- **What needs to change? Why?**
- **What are the top 3 things that need to be done at the church?**

# REVITALIZATION STEPS

- 1. Self Assess**
- 2. Apply Resources**
- 3. Evaluate Results**
- 4. Repeat step 1**

**Give instruction to a wise man,  
and he will be still wiser;  
teach a righteous man,  
and he will increase in learning.**

PROVERBS 9:9

# APPLY RESOURCES

**LCMS Office of National Mission — <http://lcms.org/revitalizing>. The Synod has many ministry areas that can be helpful. Call 800-THE-LCMS.**

**New England District-LCMS — [www.ned-lcms.org](http://www.ned-lcms.org). We will help the local congregation to assist in the revitalization process. The first steps are a phone conversation followed by a possible on site visit to provide relevant resources, coaching and assistance for your local congregation. Please call the NED office at 413-783-0131 for more information.**

