

# Discovering the need for a trellis

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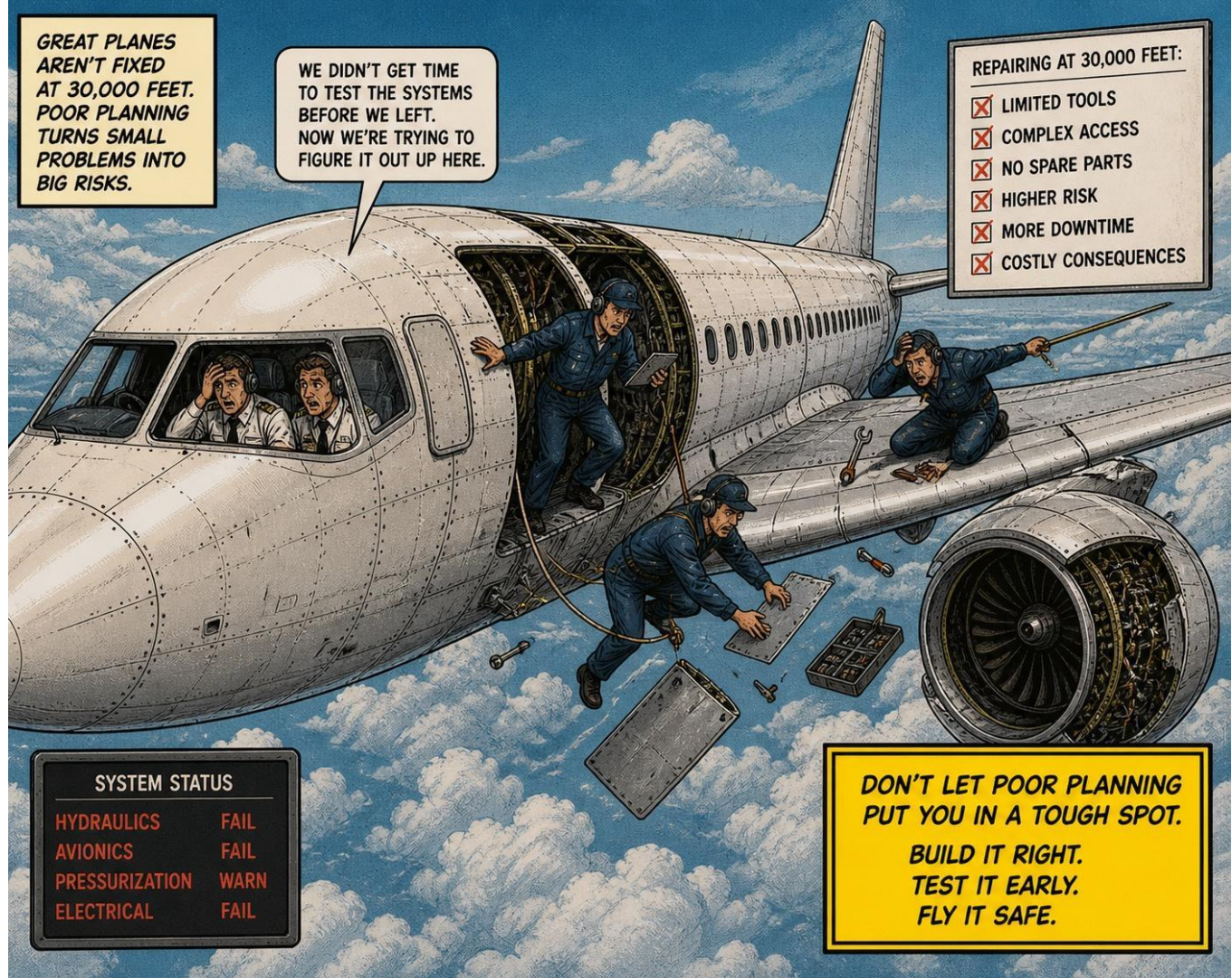
**When was  
the last  
time you  
were on a  
plane?**



How would you react to this announcement?



**“It's hard to build or repair a plane at 30,000 ft”**



## **Luke 14:28-30 (ESV)**

<sup>28</sup> For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? <sup>29</sup> Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, <sup>30</sup> saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.'

# Church Planting

1. Embrace the hangar stage
2. Build the right sized plane
3. In-flight reality

**GREAT PLANES  
AREN'T RUSHED.  
THEY'RE BUILT  
STEP BY STEP,  
WITH CARE,  
PLANNING AND  
ATTENTION TO  
DETAIL.**

**SAFETY • QUALITY • PLAN • PATIENCE**

**SUCCESSFUL FLIGHT PLAN**



- DESIGN
- PLAN
- BUILD
- TEST
- REVIEW

**BUILD CHECKLIST**

- DESIGN REVIEW
- MATERIALS CHECK
- COMPONENT ASSEMBLY
- SYSTEMS INTEGRATION
- QUALITY INSPECTION
- TESTING
- DOCUMENTATION

**RIGHT TOOL. RIGHT TASK.**



**BUILD LOG**

- FUSELAGE
- WING
- ENGINE MOUNTS
- ELECTRICAL
- HYDRAULICS
- AVIONICS

**WING ASSEMBLY**



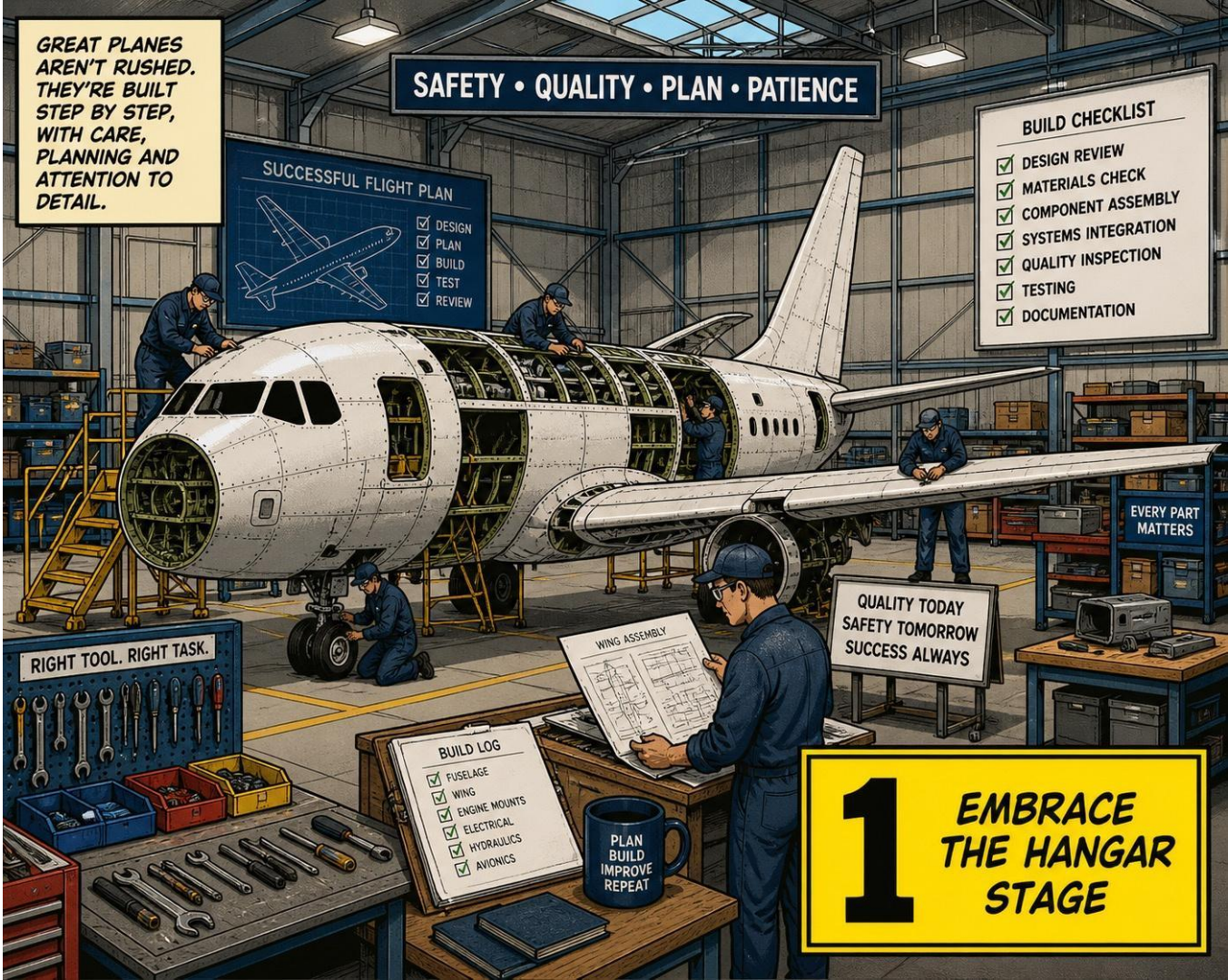
**PLAN  
BUILD  
IMPROVE  
REPEAT**

**QUALITY TODAY  
SAFETY TOMORROW  
SUCCESS ALWAYS**

**EVERY PART  
MATTERS**



**1 EMBRACE  
THE HANGAR  
STAGE**



# 2 BUILD THE RIGHT SIZE PLANE

TOO SMALL  
FOR GROWTH.



TOO BIG. TOO COSTLY.  
BUILT FOR A PROBLEM  
THAT DOESN'T EXIST.



SMALLER PLANE

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Diagram of a smaller propeller plane with a white star on the tail.



← BUILT FOR THE MISSION

→ NOT FOR EGO

JUMBO JET

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Diagram of a jumbo jet with a blue cross on the tail.



**TURBULENCE IS INEVITABLE. HOW YOU PREPARED DETERMINES HOW WELL YOU CAN NAVIGATE IT.**

### 3. IN-FLIGHT REALITY: TURBULENCE

STAY CALM. TRUST THE SYSTEM. LEAD WELL.

#### IN-FLIGHT CHALLENGES

-  UNEXPECTED DELAYS
-  WEATHER & TURBULENCE
-  SYSTEM WARNINGS
-  RESOURCE PRESSURE
-  PASSENGER CONCERNS
-  CHANGING CONDITIONS

SEATBELT SIGN IS ON. LET'S TAKE IT ONE STEP AT A TIME.

#### WHAT HELPS US THROUGH TURBULENCE:

- STRONG FOUNDATION
- CLEAR PROCESSES
- TRAINED TEAM
- GOOD COMMUNICATION
- FLEXIBILITY
- FAITH & FOCUS

#### WHAT YOU BUILT IN THE HANGAR...

-  SOLID PLAN
-  TESTED SYSTEMS
-  RIGHT-SIZED RESOURCES
-  TRAINED & ALIGNED TEAM
-  CLEAR PROCESSES & ROLES



**STRONG FOUNDATIONS DON'T PREVENT TURBULENCE. THEY HELP YOU NAVIGATE IT.**



**YOU CAN'T CONTROL THE TURBULENCE. BUT YOU CAN CONTROL YOUR PREPARATION, YOUR RESPONSE, AND YOUR LEADERSHIP.**

**TURBULENCE CHECKLIST**

- AVIATE
- COMMUNICATE
- CHECK SYSTEMS
- SUPPORT EACH OTHER
- LEAD WITH CALM

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## Church Planting Operational Guide

“what you build on the ground will determine  
how far you fly”



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