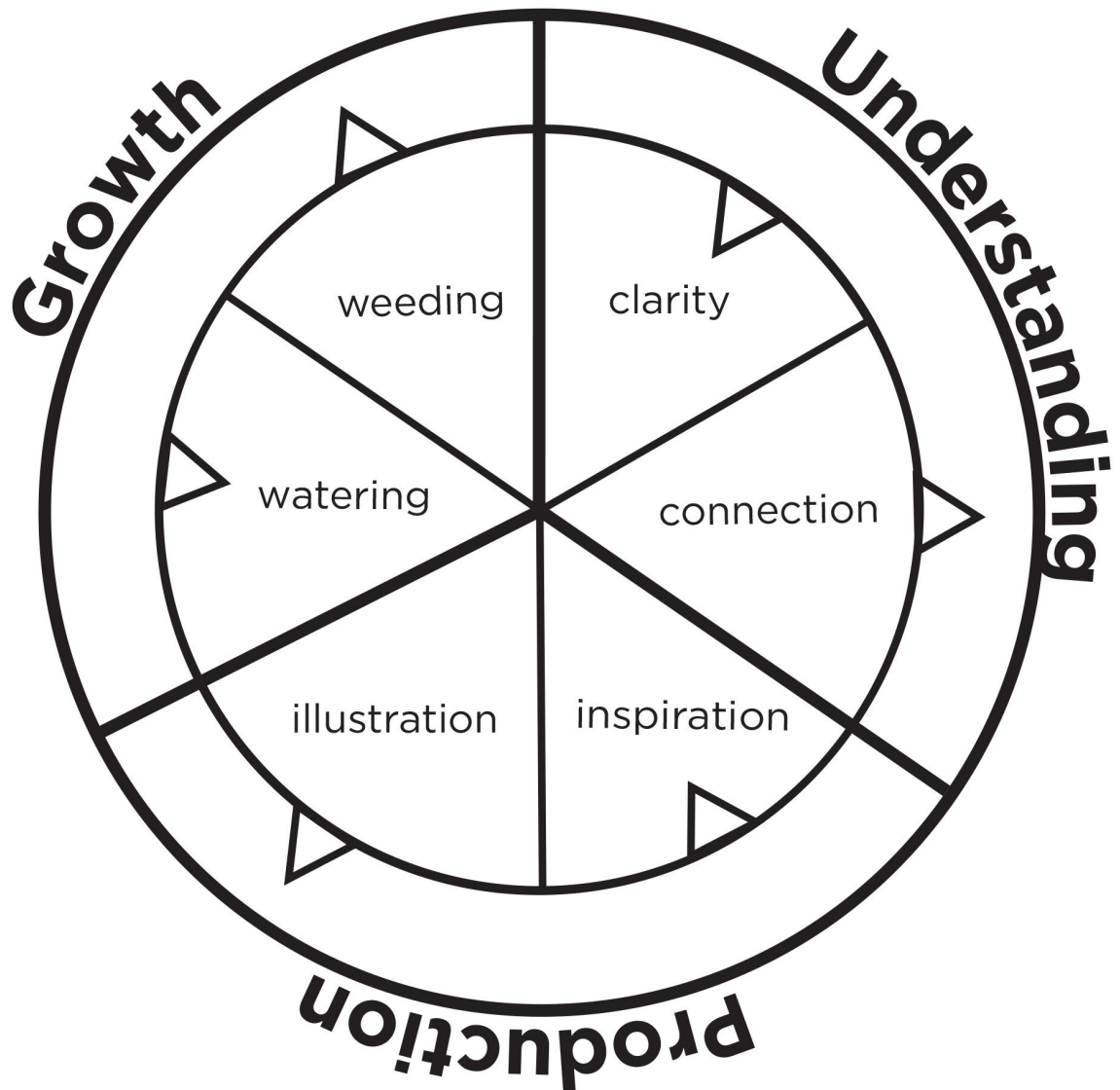




The Grove Cultivation Path



In each of the six core areas, fill in the “flow arrow” to mark how “**blocked**” you feel in being able to *take in* what you need, or to *put out* what you want in that area.



This is clear to me. I can identify my next steps and am able to take them.



I need some help here. This does not come easily.



I feel stuck here. I’m not sure how to improve.

As you consider how blocked you are in each area, you may find yourself relating to some of the statements **below**. Feel free to use these as a guide to identifying where you currently stand.

UNDERSTANDING

Clarity



I know what I’m called to do, the problem I solve, who I serve, and how I do it.



I generally know some or all of those things.



I’m not clear about what work God wants me to do right now.

Connection



My content generates memorable, transformational engagement with my audience.



I think my content connects with people pretty well, but I don’t have a strategy.



I just put my content out there and hope it connects.

PRODUCTION

Inspiration



I have a process to generate more ideas than I need, and I can pick the most effective ones.



I usually go with the first idea that comes to mind.



I struggle coming up with effective ideas.

Illustration



I regularly use graphics, models, metaphors, and engaging copywriting to illustrate my message.



I know what I want to do with my ideas, but they don't always come out the way I envision.



I'm not sure what to do with my ideas.

GROWTH

Watering



I feel refreshed and encouraged in the creative process through a mentor or community of other creative Christians.



I feel generally supported, and I'm getting by, depending on the day.



I don't have anyone pouring into me as I do the work God has for me.

Weeding



I have healthy strategies of dealing with discouragement and disappointment in my relationships and work. My thought life is generally positive.



I struggle with negative thoughts and discouragement about my creative work and/or the people I work with.



I feel like my efforts are pointless, and honestly, I want to quit.