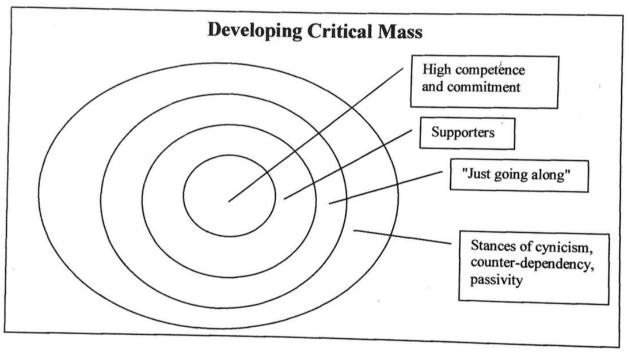
Faith Sharing: Nurturing Commitment and Competence

A. PRAYER:

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Collect for the Parish, p. 817, BCP)

B. REFLECTION: Using the model for developing critical mass, silently consider the following questions.



- 1. Where would you place yourself in the model? What keeps you in that place?
- 2. Think of a time in your life when you moved from one circle to another. Did you move *toward* the center or *away* from the center? What triggered this movement?
- 3. What diminishes your commitment, or hampers your competence?
- 4. What builds up your commitment and/or competence?
- C. SHARE whatever you would like to share with your group.