

## The Church and the Gospel

### Our **Purpose**

When we **gather** (Acts 5:12-14)

We **fellowship** with the Lord (Acts 2:42)

We **grow** in the Lord (Ephesians 4:11-13)

When we **scatter** (Matthew 28:18-20) – you are entering the mission field

Our **Practice** (Colossians 1:9-12) – bearing **fruit**  
(The character of Christ on display in the lives of believers)

**LOVE** (John 13:34-35) – that they may know that we are His disciples

**TRUTH** (I Corinthians 14:23-25) – that hearts would be laid bare (John 17:17)

**UNITY** (John 17:20-21 / Ephesians 4:2-3) – that they would believe

**FAITH** (I Thessalonians 1:4-8) – that our trust in God is seen, even when persecuted

**WORSHIP** (John 4:23-24 / Hebrews 13:15) – that He is exalted and praised above all

Our **Product** (Titus 2:11-14) – a people who are His very own

A place of **acceptance** (Romans 15:5-7)

A place of **healing** (Matthew 11:28-30)

A place for His **presence** (John 16:7-11 / I Corinthians 5:4-8 / Matthew 18:20)

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**Acts 5:12-14** “The apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders among the people. And all the believers used to meet together in Solomon’s Colonnade. No one else dared join them, even though they were highly regarded by the people. Nevertheless, more and more men and women believed in the Lord and were added to their number.”

**Acts 2:42** “They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.”

**Ephesians 4:11-13** “It was He who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God’s people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.”

**Matthew 28:18-20** “Then Jesus came to them and said, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.’”

**Colossians 1:9-12** “For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of His will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please Him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to His glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light.”

**John 13:34-35** “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you love one another.”

**I Corinthians 14:23-25** “So if the whole church comes together and everyone speaks in tongues, and some who do not understand or some unbelievers come in, will they not say that you are out of your mind? But if an unbeliever or someone who does not understand come in while everyone is prophesying, he will be convinced by all that he is a sinner and will be judged by all, and the secrets of his heart will be laid bare. So he will fall down and worship God, exclaiming, ‘God is really among you!’”

**John 17:17** “Sanctify them by the truth; Your word is truth.”

**John 17:20-21** “My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in Me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in Me and I am in You. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that You have sent Me.”

**Ephesians 4:2-3** “Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.”

**I Thessalonians 1:4-8** “For we know, brothers loved by God, that He has chosen you, because the gospel came to you not simply with words, but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and with deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake. You became imitators of us and of the Lord; in spite of severe suffering, you welcomed the message with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. And so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia. The Lord’s message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia – your faith in God has become known everywhere.”

**John 4:23-24** “Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and His worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth.”

**Hebrews 13:15** “Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise- the fruit of lips that confess His name.”

**Titus 2:11-14** “For the grace of God has appeared to all men. It teaches us to say ‘No’ to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope – the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for Himself a people that are His very own, eager to do what is good.”

**Romans 15:5-7** “May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.”

**Matthew 11:28-30** “Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”

**John 16:7-11** “But I tell you the truth: It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you. When He comes, He will convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment: in regard to sin, because men do not believe in Me; in regard to righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see Me no longer; and in regard to judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned.”

**I Corinthians 5:4-8** “When you are assembled in the name of our Lord Jesus and I am with you in spirit, and the power of our Lord Jesus is present, hand this man over to Satan, so that the sinful nature may be destroyed and his spirit saved on the day of the Lord. Your boasting is not good. Don’t you know that a little yeast works through the whole batch of dough? Get rid of the old yeast that you may be a new batch without yeast – as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb has been sacrificed. Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and wickedness, but with the bread without yeast, the bread of sincerity and truth.”

**Matthew 18:20** “For where two or three come together in My name, there am I with them.”