

# The Church and its Mission

## Evangelism and Discipleship

As we look at the **Church and its Mission** today we will consider 3 sections,

- **Evangelism - A Witness to the World**
- **The Great Commission is our Mission**
- **Practical helps for our local church**

**Proverbs 16:4 - 4** **The LORD has made everything for its own purpose**, Even the wicked for the day of evil. NASB

**Ephesians 1:11-12 - 11** also we have obtained an inheritance, having been **predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will**, **12 to the end** that we who were the first to hope in Christ should **be to the praise of His glory**. NASB

**Ephesians 2:6-9 - 6** and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places, in Christ Jesus, **7 in order that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus**. **8** For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; **9** not as a result of works, **that no one should boast**. NASB

**1 Corinthians 10:31 - 31** Whether, then, you eat or drink or **whatever you do, do all to the glory of God**. NASB

**2 Corinthians 4:3-4** - 3 And even if **our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,** 4 in whose case **the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving, that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ,** who is the image of God. 5 For we do not preach ourselves but Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as your bond-servants for Jesus' sake. 6 **For God, who said, "Light shall shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God** in the face of Christ. NASB

**Acts 1:8** - 8 but **you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.** " NASB

**Philippians 1:27** - 27 Only **conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ;** so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, **with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;** NASB

**1 Peter 2:9-10** - 9 But **you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;** NASB

**Colossians 4:5-6** - 5 **Conduct yourselves with wisdom toward outsiders, making the most of the opportunity.** 6 Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned, as it were, with salt, so that you may **know how you should respond to each person.** NASB

**Jude 22-23** - 22 And have mercy on some, who are doubting; **23 save others, snatching them out of the fire;** and on some have mercy with fear, hating even the garment polluted by the flesh. NASB

**Matthew 28:18-20** - 18 And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age. " NASB

### **3 Basic Disciplines of the Christian Life.**

- daily meditation on the Word
- daily communion with God through prayer
- regular Christian worship, fellowship, and service in the Church.

**2 Thessalonians 3:7-9** - 7 For you yourselves know how **you ought to follow our example**, because **we did not act in an undisciplined manner among you**, 8 nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with labor and hardship we kept working night and day so that we might not be a burden to any of you; 9 not because we do not have the right to this, but **in order to offer ourselves as a model for you, that you might follow our example.** NASB

**Proverbs 16:16** - 16 **How much better it is to get wisdom than gold!** And to get understanding is to be chosen above silver. NASB

**Proverbs 23:23** - 23 **Buy truth, and do not sell it, Get wisdom and instruction and understanding.** NASB

**Proverbs 4:5-9** - 5 **Acquire wisdom! Acquire understanding!** Do not forget, nor turn away from the words of my mouth. 6 **"Do not forsake her, and she will guard you; Love her, and she will watch over you. 7 "The beginning of wisdom is: Acquire wisdom; And with all your acquiring, get understanding.** 8 "Prize her, and she will exalt you; She will honor you if you embrace her. 9 "She will place on your head a garland of grace; She will present you with a crown of beauty." NASB

**2 Peter 1:5-8** - 5 Now for this very reason also, **applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in your moral excellence, knowledge; 6 and in your knowledge,** self-control, and in your self-control, perseverance, and in your perseverance, godliness; 7 and in your godliness, brotherly kindness, and in your brotherly kindness, love. **8 For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord** Jesus Christ. NASB

**Colossians 1:9-12** - 9 For this reason also, since the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you and **to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, 10 so that you may walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;** 11 strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience; joyously 12 giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

**Acts 14:21-22** - 21 And after they had preached the gospel to that city and had **made many disciples,** they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch, 22 **strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith,** and saying, "Through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God." NASB

**Romans 10:8-10** - 8 But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" — that is, the **word of faith** which we are preaching, **9 that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved;** 10 for with the heart man believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.

**Acts 26:19-21** - 19 "Consequently, King Agrippa, I did not prove disobedient to the heavenly vision, 20 but kept declaring both to those of Damascus first, and also at Jerusalem and then throughout all the region of Judea, and even to the Gentiles, **that they should repent and turn to God, performing deeds appropriate to repentance.** NASB